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PREFACE

In 1895, Comptroller James A. Roberts, in moving some documents to make room for an extension to his office, brought to light many valuable papers relating to the Revolutionary War and the important position occupied by the State of New York in that momentous struggle. Through the kind assistance of various Legislatures, those documents were arranged and compiled and a volume issued therefrom which has been a valuable addition to the historical records of this State. One fact alone demonstrates the worth of the work which has been prosecuted in the Comptroller's Department in connection with these Revolutionary Records: The State of New York had formerly been credited with having furnished in the War for Independence but 18,000 men, which number had been accepted as historically accurate. The documents which were first discovered by Mr. Roberts and afterward arranged by him and his successors, prove beyond dispute that New York's quota was at least 43,645 men, giving to our State a much more commanding position as a factor in the Revolutionary contest than it had theretofore occupied. The work which was issued by Mr. Roberts passed through two editions prior to the final arrangement of all the Revolutionary papers.

On assuming the office of Comptroller, I found that the work of preparing these documents for consultation and the index to the same, had been practically completed and that the binding of the few remaining additional volumes of original documents would complete the Revolutionary work in its entirety. All that remained of interest to the general public was the printing and issuing of a Supplement or companion book to "New York in the Revolution," which would give a complete resumé of the Revolutionary Records of the Department. The Legislature of 1901 provided an item in the Supply Bill for this work which I now have the pleasure of adding to the historical annals of this State. The second edition of "New York in the Revolution" was the roll-call of the officers and men who served in the War. This Supplement gives in a condensed form the history of the War as shown by the documents. It is not a reprint in the entirety of those documents, which only could be done at a great, and probably unwarranted, expenditure; but it is a work calculated to give sufficient information upon the subject-matter contained in those documents to answer every practical purpose. It may be that some future generation may see fit to publish all of the historical documents in this office and in other of the State departments, relating to the struggle of this Colony, with the others, for its independence.

Great progress in this direction has been made within the past five years not only in this office but in the office of the State Historian, and at a comparatively small expenditure. A few years more of the work continued along the present lines will bring New York abreast

of the neighboring States in the publication of its historical documents. Ten years ago it lagged behind, owing probably to the want of local pride that is usual in a large cosmopolitan community like ours.

I have called this book a condensed history of the War. Let me explain that statement by an illustration:— The chapter on "Forfeited Estates" would fill three or four books of this size if all the documents were printed; instead of occupying that space, the single chapter on that subject outlines the work of the Commissioners of Forfeitures, gives several documents bearing on that work and furnishes a complete list of those parties whose Estates were Forfeited. Similar treatment has been given to the other subjects. The net result is that we have a small book that many readers will be interested in, instead of a great mass of documents bewildering to the general reader and of practical value to an expert only. At the same time the several subjects have been so outlined that the expert or the student of history can pursue his investigations as far as the original documents make it worth his while.

In the two editions of "New York in the Revolution", the service of nearly all of the Officers and Soldiers named by Regiments or other organizations, was proved by original documents in the Comptroller's Office. Some deficiencies, however, were supplied, and cases of partial information were made more complete, by collecting into Volume XI, and a part of Vol. I, certified copies of original documents that belong elsewhere. In Vol. I, the certified copies, mostly of officers and men in the First Regiment of the Line, came from the Archives of Massachusetts. Vol. XI has these certified copies:— Names in the Record and Pension Office of the War Department, Washington, D. C.; Names in possession of the New York Historical Society; Names in possession of Mrs. Abraham Lansing, of Albany, a granddaughter of Col. Peter Gansevoort. Extracts from Manuscripts in the State Library were also copied, as follows:— Vols. 178 and 180 of the Henry Stevens Papers; Vol. I of Col. Josiah Smith's Military Papers; Vols. 34 to 38 of Miscellaneous Papers; Vols. 101 and 102 of New York Colonial Manuscripts.

In this Supplement reliance has been placed almost exclusively upon documents actually in the Comptroller's office, the object being to show the manner in which the War was conducted. Hence, only occasionally, has a fact been named that is not capable of documentary proof within the office. When an outside fact has been named, it has been solely for the purpose of supplying a missing link and giving continuity to a story the bulk of which was already well in hand. Of course, the several subjects treated in this Supplement differ widely as to the number and importance of the original documents pertaining to them. Some of the subjects have very full information from original sources; and others have little information. Still others are not mentioned at all. For instance, no paper has been found relating to Sullivan's Expedition; although papers on that subject should have appeared with the rest. Several similar deficiencies lead to the conclusion that, at some time in the past, many documents must have been removed from this office.

The expressions "the documents", "the original documents" and "the records" always refer to the documents in the office of the Comptroller; and, in the copying of those documents, as also in the text connecting them, an effort has been made not to duplicate any work already done, either in this office or in other departments of the State government. In

spelling, capitalization and punctuation, the documents printed in this Supplement follow the originals as closely as possible; and a liberal use of Capitals in the text makes it conform to the documents.

In presenting this work to the public I desire to express my appreciation of the services of Mr. Frederic G. Mather, who has ably edited the same. The examining, sorting and arranging of the original documents from which this work is compiled, and the arrangement and editing of the volume itself, were almost entirely the work of Mr. Mather who pursued his researches not only among the Archives of the State but also took the opportunity of a trip abroad during the summer of 1900 to make further investigation in Paris, London and Cambridge, where he secured much valuable information, some of which has been incorporated with the documents in this office and so found its way into this Supplement.

ERASTUS C. KNIGHT,
Comptroller

Dated, Albany, N. Y. December, 1901.

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Abbreviations

Adjt., Adjutant
Admr., Administrator
Admx., Administratrix
Agt., Agent
An., American
Asst., Assistant
Atty., Attorney
Aud., Auditor
Brig., Brigade or Brigadier
Bsh., British
Capt., Captain
Capt. Lt., Captain Lieutenant
Chap., Chaplain
Chn., Chairman
Col., Colonel
Comr., Commissioner
Commy., Commissary
Contl., Continental
Corp., Corporal
Cr., Creditor
Cte., Committee
Ctf., Certificate
Cy., County
d., Pence
Dbr., Debtor
Dr., Doctor
Dy., Deputy
Ens., Ensign
Exr., Executor
Exrx., Executrix
Gen., General
Gov., Governor
Insp., Inspector
Jr., Junior
L. B. R., Land Bounty Rights
Lieut., Lieutenant
Lt., Lieutenant
Lt. Col., Lieutenant Colonel
Maj., Major
Mar., Marines
Mil., Military
Mr., Master
Mu., Muster
Prest., President
Qr., Quarter
Regt., Regiment
s., Shilling
/—, Shilling
Secy., Secretary
Serjt., Serjeant
Sr., Senior
St., State
Supt., Superintendent
Surv., Surveyor
Treasr., Treasurer
Surg., Surgeon

NEW YORK IN THE REVOLUTION

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THE

MILITARY AND NAVAL SERVICE

THE ARMY

The Calling Out of the Militia

The second edition of "New York in the Revolution" is, practically, a roster of all the Troops that served from this State. It will be of interest to supplement that roster by information relating to the way in which the Militia was called out, the discipline that was enforced, and the pay that was allowed Incidentally the Continental Soldiers will be noticed, so far as the original documents relate to them.

At the beginning of the War, the Militia volunteered for duty:—

We the subscribers being well convinced of the absolute necessity of raising a sufficient Body of Provincial Forces, for the Defence of the Constitution and the preservation of our Just Rights and Liberties when the same are in the most eminent Danger of being invaded, have therefore voluntarily inlisted in the Provincial Service under Capt. Joel Pratt Lieuts. Benja. Chittenton & Israel Spencer, and do hereby promise and agree that we will severally do execute and perform all and every such Instructions, directions orders and Military Discipline and Duties, as our said Officers, or either of them, or the Commanding Officer for the time being on this new establishment shall from time to time give or send to us, during the Time that our Service is required in the unhappy Contest between Great Britain and the Colonies, and we do severally promise and engage not to go from, or quit the said Service until we shall be discharged or dismissed from the same by the Continental Congress, or the Provincial Congress of this Colony or by the General Committee of the City and County of Albany under the Penalty of forfeiting our Wages and being deemed Enemies in the Eye of the Publick to our Country, and we the said officers do severally promise and engage under the most Solemn Ties of Honor and Love to our Country that we shall and will from time to time and at all times during the said Contest between Great Britain and the said United Colonies to perform and execute in our several and respective Stations all and every the Instructions directions, orders Military Discipline and Duties as the Continental or Provincial Congress, or the General Committee of the City and County of Albany or the Commanding Officer for the time being shall recommend, or send to us, or

either of us and we do likewise severally promise and engage not to go from, or quit the said Service untill we are discharged or dismissed from the same by the Continental Congress or the Provincial Congress of this Colony or by the General Committee of the City and County of Albany, Under the Penalty of forfeiting our wages, and being deemed Enemies to our Country. Witness whereof we have hereunto set our Hands this fifth Day of June 1775.

N. B. These Articles are hereby understood to be in force for no longer time than the last Day of Decr. ensuing.

Saml. Stringer
Chairman pro tempore

Joel Pratt, Capt.	Joseph Harrison	Jedediah Graves	Seth Raymond
Benjemen Chittenden, Leut.	Amos Stark	Richard Holdredg	Aaron Day
Israel Spencer, Leut.	Timothy Coon	John Spencer	Arthur Heurt
Daniel Lee	Jesse Ketchams	Asa Spencer	John Winters
Jonathan Pitcher	Philip Covell	Eli Reynolds	John Preston
Benjamin Steanly	David Spencer	Oliver Goff	Adonijah Ackley
John Taylor	Stephen Kidder	Bartholomew Barrit	Lemuel Hill
Benjamin Ford	Ebenezer Sexton	Moses Meyer	Thos. Quin
Jonathan N. Mallory	Gorden Chamberlin	Elijah Smith	Francis Flamming
Joseph Foot	Daniel Baldwin	Ezekiel Jones	James Ackley
John Mattoon	Ephraim Barritt	Asa Gould	
John Holdridge	Abraham Worner	Joseph Willbur	
Jonathan Davenport	Simeon Dudley	Christopher Darrow	

These men (with the exception of Benjamin Steanly, John Mattoon, Jesse Ketchams, Ebenezer Sexton, Daniel Baldwin, Abraham Worner, Elijah Smith, Arthur Heurt, John Preston, Lemuel Hill and Francis Flamming) afterward served in the Second Line.

Later on, the Convention called out the Militia:—

Extracts of the Resolution of the Convention for calling out one-fourth part of the militia of Ulster, Orange, Dutchess and Westchester Counties passed July 16th., 1776.

Resolved that each man be allowed a bounty of 20 Dollars and Continental pay and subsistence — to be continued in the Service until the last Day of December next unless sooner discharged — those who have no Arms to be furnished therewith by the Brigr. Genl. and Field. Officers and to be deducted out of their pay. These Levies to be formed into Companies to consist of one Captain, two Lieutenants, three Serjeants, three Corporals, One Drummer, one fifer and fifty privates — each Regiment to consist of ten Companies — to be under the command of One Col. one Lieut. Col. one Major and to have One Adjutant one Quarter Master and one Surgeon.

Extracts of the Resolution of the Convention for calling out one-fourth part of the militia of Suffolk, Queens and Kings Counties passed July 20th., 1776

That the non-commissioned Officers and Privates who shall furnish themselves with a good and sufficient Musket or firelock, Cartouch Box and Belt and Bayonet, or Hatchet shall be allowed Ten Dollars bounty to each man with Continental Pay and Rations — to be formed into Companies to consist of One Captain, two Lieutenants, three Serjeants, three Corporals, one Drummer one fifer and fifty Privates and in Case any Draughts shall be left after the Companies are completed and not sufficient to form another Company, Officers shall be appointed for them in the following proportion — One Captain and One Lieut. two Serjeants and two Corporals for forty privates — two Lieuts. two Serjeants and two Corporals for thirty Privates — and one Lieut.— one Serjeant and one Corporal for twenty Privates, each man to find his own Arms and Accoutrements, the troops raised to have continental Pay and Rations to be continued in Service until the last Day of Decr. unless sooner discharged. That the Rations of the Said Troops be estimated at the rate of ten pence half penny in money in Lieu of Provisions. That Col. Josiah Smith of Suffolk County be the first Colonel — that Col.

John Sands be second Colonel with the rank of Col. but with the pay of Lieut. Col. that Abm. Remsen be Major — that Col. Birdsall at the South side of Queens County take the command of one Company with Captains Pay saving his rank.

Extracts of the Resolutions of the Convention for raising Rangers passed July 23d., 1776.

That there be raised in the County of Albany, One hundred and twenty Six men Officers included — that they be divided into two Companies each to consist of one Captain two Lieutenants, three Serjeants, three Corporals and fifty four Privates. That there be raised in the County of Tryon three Companies each to consist of one Captain two Lieutenants, three Serjeants, three Corporals and fifty eight privates. That there be raised in the Counties of Gloucester and Cumberland 252 men to be divided into four Companies each to consist of one Captain, two Lieuts. three Serjeants three Corporals and fifty four Privates. That there be raised in Charlotte County One hundred and Twenty Men to be divided in manner following. Two Companies to consist each of One Captain one Lieutenant, three Serjeants, three Corporals and forty two Privates and one party to consist of one Lieutenant, one Serjeant, one Corporal and seventeen privates.

That two hundred and one men be raised in Ulster County similar to those of Tryon County.

That one Company be raised in Orange County to consist of One Captain one Lieut. three Serjeants — three Corporals and forty seven Privates. That the pay of the Officers and Privates be the same as the Pay of the Continental Troops. That a bounty of twenty-five Dollars be allowed to each non-commissioned Officer and Private on his passing Muster. That each Captain be allowed Sixteen shillings —each Lieut.— fourteen shillings and each non-commissioned Officer and Private ten shillings per week in lieu of all Rations.

That the Companies in the Counties of Gloucester and Cumberland be under the Command of a Major to be appointed by this Convention. That each Officer of the respective Companies to take an oath before the Chairman of the County Committee from whence he is to be recommended, that he will once in every month or as soon after the expiration of any month as possible transmit to the Convention or Legislature of this State a muster Roll of the Names of every Officer and Private under his command and their respective times of Enlistment and Service: And that any Officer who shall return a false muster Roll shall on Conviction thereof loose his Pay and be cashiered. That one half of the bounty be paid by the Captain of each Company to every able bodied Man when he shall pass Muster and that as soon as the first muster Roll of every Company shall be received by this Convention the other half shall be remitted by this Convention to the respective County Committees of Albany, Tryon, Orange, Ulster and Charlotte Counties and to the Major commanding the Gloucester and Cumberland Rangers to be by them issued to the Captains of their respective Companies and immediately issued to the Men.

Extracts of the Resolutions of the Convention passed July 23d., 1776 for raising a Company to guard the Stores and Vessels with Provisions and Ammunition,— in the City of Albany.

That seventy five men Officers included be raised to guard etc.— that they be embodied into one Company to consist of One Captain, two Lieutenants, four Serjeants, four Corporals, one Drummer and one fifer and Sixty two Privates — that they be allowed Continental Pay; and instead of Rations, the Captain be allowed Sixteen shillings — the Lieutenants twelve shillings and the non-commissioned Officers and Privates seven shillings per week.— To be continued in Service until the first Day of December next unless sooner discharged and under the Direction of the Committee of the County and Sub-Committee of the City of Albany.

In Committee of Safety for the State of New York Octr 9th 1776.

Whereas it is absolutely necessary in the Present critical Conjuncture that one Company of 49 men in the County of Albany and one other Company of 49 in the County of Dutchess be immediately raised for the purpose of detecting and defeating the Intentions and Conspiracies of our Secret and open Enemies, therefore,

Resolved that one Company be immediately raised in the County of Albany and that one

other Company be immediately raised in the County of Dutchess. That each Company consist of one Captain, one Lieutenant, three Sergeants, three Corporals, one fifer and 40 Privates. That the pay of those Companies be the Same as the pay of the Continental Troops. That the Captains be allowed each 16/— per week, the Lieutenants 14/— and the non-Commissioned Officers and privates each 10/— per week in lieu of all Rations & subsistence.

That Petrus Van Gaasbeeck is hereby appointed Captain, and Samuel Thorne Lieutenant, of the said Company to be raised in the County of Albany; and that the said Company do rendesvouz at & about the Manor of Livingston and be subject to the order of the Convention or Committee of Safety of this State, and under the direction of the Committee of the City and County of Albany or such person or persons as the Convention or Committee of Safety of this State shall appoint.

That Nathaniel Scribner be, and is hereby, appointed Captain, and Joseph Field Lieutenant, of the said Company to be raised in the said County of Dutchess; and that the said Company do rendesvouz in Fredericksburgh and South East precincts of said County and be subject to the order of the Convention or Committee of Safety of this State, and be under the direction of the Committee of the said County of Dutchess or such other person or persons as the Convention or Committee of Safety of this State Shall appoint.

That the Chairman of the Committee of the district of the Manor of Livingston for the Time being be the muster-master to muster the Company to be raised in the County of Albany; and that Colo. John Field be appointed muster-master of the Company to be raised in Dutchess County.

That the said Company to be raised in the County of Dutchess be incorporated and deemed a part of the Corps whereof Capt. Melancton Smith is Commandant, and that both of the Companies hereby directed to be raised be enlisted to continue in service for the Term of Three Months unless sooner discharged.

John McKesson, Secr'y.

Jacob Cuyler, James Duane and Robert Yates were a Committee to Raise Troops and also a Committee on the Arrangement of the Army:—

Saratoga Octr 22d 1776

Received of James Duane, Jacob Cuyler & Robt Yates, Esqr, a Committee of the State of New York, Seven hundred & fifty dollars to be by me apply'd conformable to Instructions receiv'd from Maj. General Schuyler of this date and for which sum I promise to account to the present Convention of the State of New York or any future Legislature of the said State or persons appointed by them for the purpose.

750 dollars

Cornelius Wynkoop Coll.

The Convention of the State of New York to James Duane Jacob Cuyler and Robert Yates a Committee appointed by the said Convention to go to Albany to confer with General Schuyler on the arrangement of the Army and while at Albany appointed on another Committee to Cooperate with General Schuyler in calling forth the Militia for the defence of the northern and western Frontiers of this State — Dr.

1776		
Octobr. 22	Advanced to Major P. Gansevoort to be apply'd in recruiting troops on the New Establishment as per receipt No. 1 the Sum of	£400:
	Advanced to Col. Wynkoop to be apply'd to the same purpose Use as pr rect. No. 2 the Sum of.....	300:
	Advanced to Lieut. Van Salisberry for the same Use as pr receipt No. 3 the sum of	100:
29th Octr.	Advanced to Lieut. Conine for the same use as pr receipt No. 4 the Sum of	300:
	Expences accrued at Albany in Diet as per receipt of Mrs. Vernon No. 5 the Sum of	21:15:9

1776		
29th Octr.	paid D. B. V. Schoonhoven for riding express as per receipt No. 6...	£2: 4:0
	paid ditto for do No. 7.....	2:
	paid John Vischer for riding express to Fish Kill & for tarrying for an Answer and bringing Money as pr rec't. No. 8	7:
	paid to a Spy who was by the Committee sent among the Tories to discover their designs	10:
	paid to Col. V. D. Birgh for his trouble in attending the Come....	2: 8:0
	paid to Major Ford for guides &c.....	4:
	paid to the waiter on the Committee.....	1:16:
	Advanced on the road in going to and returning from Saratoga to Fish Kill for travelling Expences.....	12: 6:4
	paid for keeping three horses in Albany 14 days at 3/ pr Horse.....	6: 6:
		£1169:16:1
	Balance due to the Conv.....	30: 3:11
	Errors Excepted	£1200:

Jas. Duane
Jacob Cuyler } Coms.
Robert Yates

Cr.

By the Sum of £1200 receiv'd from John Fischer on behalf of the Convention of New York £1200:

In Pursuance to our Appointment we have examined the Acco. Compared the Charges with the Several Vouchers and find them all right.

Mathew Cantine
Burnet Miller
Isaac Roosevelt

In Committee of Safety for the State of New York, Fishkill October 24th 1776.

ORDERED that the treasurer of this State send to James Duane, Robert Yates, and Jacob Cuyler Esquires at Albany (who were appointed a Committee to repair to Albany and Ticonderoga to take Measures for carrying into execution the Resolutions of Congress relative to the raising of Troops and appointment of Officers in the continental Service) by John Visher (who is employed as an express by the said Committee) the Sum of One thousand two hundred Pounds and take his Receipt to deliver the same to those Gentlemen or either of them.

Attest
Robt. Benson Secry.

Pierre Van Cortlandt
Prest.

In Committee of Safety for the State of New York, Fishkill Novr 28th 1776.

Sir — Your Letter of the 23d Instant has been laid before the Committee of Safety who have directed me to direct you that as soon as the Militia shall be discharged or leave the Service you Carefully Secure all the Arms in your Battalion belonging to this State, and see them safely delivered at this place. You are for this purpose to hire, and if not otherwise to be had, to Impress, Boats if practicable to bring them by Water, otherwise Carriages, the Expence of which shall be defrayed by this State; I am further directed to request you to give Copies of this Letter to the Commanding Officers of such of the Battalions as have any of the public Arms belonging to this State; And also to forward a Copy to General Scott; this is intended as a General Direction for all the Commanding Officers of such Regiments —

I am Sir Your Most Hum Servt
By Order of the Committee of Safety

To Collo Johannis Hardenbergh

Pierre Van Cortlandt V. Presdt

The chief Militia acts of the Legislature were passed, Apr. 3, 1778, Oct. 9, 1779, Mar. 11, 1780 and Feb. 21, 1781.

Jonathan Lawrence, Thomas Palmer, Henry Glen and John H. Sleght were "Commissioners to Forward Troops to Pennsylvania", in other words, "to fill the Five Continental Battalions raised under the direction of this State". They were paid 20/— per day for their services, the most of which were performed in 1778. The Troops were sent to Easton, where they were mustered in. The accounts, so far as preserved, show these totals:— Lawrence, £1970.19.3; Palmer, £1978.4.3; Glen, £719.11.4. Under the law of June 24, 1780, Gov. Clinton paid £12320. on these accounts.

The following shows how the Governor called out the Militia, from time to time:—

General Orders 12th May 1779

For the Security of the Frontiers of Ulster & Orange Counties two Posts are to be taken, the one at great Shandeken, the other at Leghweck. Block Houses are immediately to be erected at each of those places inclosed by a Breastwork proof against Musquetry with an Abettis round it. These Works are each to be of such size and so constructed as to be Defensible with one hundred Men, at the same Time capable of containing one hundred & fifty or two hundred. A subalterns Guard from the Levies raised in Ulster County for the Defence of the Frontiers is to be constantly Kept in the Vicinity of Mamacotting and the Levies for that Service raised from the Militia of Orange County are, except such Part of them as are to be annexed to the Continental Battalions, to be stationed at Poenpeck.

The Remainder of the Levies raised in Ulster County exclusive of those intended to be joined to the Continental Battalions are to occupy the Posts to be erected at Leghweck & great Shandeken and one half of them are accordingly to repair immediately under Lieutenant De Witt to the Latter, and the other half under Lieut. Wesbrook to the former of those Places to be employed with the Militia under Col. Cantine & Major Wynkoop in erecting the Works directed for the Defence of those Passes. Col. Cantine will superintend the Works ordered at Leghweck and Majors Pawling & Wynkoop those at Shandeken.

The Troops stationed at these Posts are constantly to Keep out patrolling Parties and Scouts, those at Shandeken to go to as far Northward as the Albany County Line, and Westward to Paghkatacken. Those at Leghweck to the Northward and Southward of that Post so as to Communicate with the other Guards to the Southward & Northward and Westward as far towards Papakunk as may be consistent with Safety, and the Officers commanding these Different Posts and Guards are to communicate all the Intelligence they may from Time to Time receive of the Movements & Disposition of the Enemy to each other & to the Commanding Officers of the Neighbouring Militia Regiments, punctually, and with the utmost Dispatch. The one fourth of Colo Snyders Regiment is immediately to repair to the Posts at Shandeken, and the one fourth of Colo. Cantines Regt to Leghweck to assist in erecting the Works intended at those Places and are to continue there till a sufficient Number of the Levies for the Defence of the Frontiers arrive to relieve them. These Detachments are to draw Provision from the Commissary. Geo Clinton

Apparently the members of the Militia mustered themselves. At any rate, the names of the Muster-Masters generally appear in connection with the Line; or the Levies, which formed a kind of stepping-stone to the Line. (See "Land Bounty Rights").

1780 State of New York to Michael Dyckman. Dr.

July 1 To Amount of my Expenses from the beginning of May, 1780, to this day, being incurred in consequence of my being appointed by his Excellency the Governor to collect and receive the Levies then raised: Viz — 400 Cont'l Dollars at 40 pr 1 is Specie £4

Fishkill, May 30th, 1780.

State of New York Dr. to Michael Dyckman for extraordinary Expenses in Receiving the Levies at Fishkill for the year above mentioned, four hundred Dollars Continental Money. Michael Dyckman

The following list contains the names of those who were engaged in the work of mustering in the Soldiers. It is probable that the documents do not give the complete list:—

Deputies Muster-Master Gen.— Rutgers Henry, Van Rensselaer James, Varick Richard
Deputy Commissary Gen. of Musters — Varick Richard
Commissaries — Lansing Jacob John, Pearsee Jonathan Capt.
Muster-Masters —

Bockee Jacob	Hilton Jonathan	Pearsee Jonathan, Capt.	Trotter Matthew, Lt.
Codwise Christopher	Hitchcock Lyman	Putnam Victor	Wells Anthony, Capt
Du Bois Cornelius	Hubbell Isaac	Roosa Albert	Westfall, Abraham, Capt
Dyckman Michael	Hunsdon John, Lt.	Rutgers Henry	Williams Daniel
Fonda Jelles A.	Jansen, Johannis T., Lt.	Snow Ephraim	Young Guy, Capt.
French Abner	Lansing Jacob John	Tearse Peter Benjamin, Capt	

In this connection, there should be given honorable mention of a number of citizens who furnished one Soldier, or more, at their own expense:

Allen Samuel	DeWitt Peter	Moor Pliny	Tayler John
Boerum Nicholas	Furman John, Lt.	Nelson Thomas	Ten Eyck Abraham
Bradner John	Hill Andrew	Nestell Peter	Van Anglen John
Cannon James, Capt.	Lansing John	Pearsee Jonathan, Capt.	Van Benschoten Elias, Maj.
Carpenter Daniel	Lansing John, jr.	Perry Jonathan	Van Tine Robert
Curtenius Peter T.	Lush Stephen	Platt Nathaniel, Capt	
Delavan Daniel, Capt.	Machin Thomas, Capt.	Smith Melancton	
DeWitt John, jr.	McKinstry Thomas, Capt.	Snow Ephraim	

Courts-Martial

The Courts-Martial disciplined such Soldiers as had not been disciplined already by their superior Officers. The Courts were usually called by the Governor, as Commander-in-Chief. They were sometimes called Courts of Inquiry. The law provided that all fines should be paid into the State Treasury.

A Regimental Court Martial Held at the House of Johannis Schoonmakers at Rochester June 22, 1778 For Trying all Such Persons as Shall be brought before The Court to Consist of the following Members, Viz: Capt. Andries Bevier, President, Capt. Joakim Schoonmaker, Lieut. Derick Westbrook, Lieut. Jacobus Hasbroock, Lieut. Reuben DeWitt, Lieut John Depuy, Lieut Joseph Hasbroock. Lieut Richard Brodhead I. A.

The President and Members being Sworn, the Court open.

Johannis York Brought before the Court for Disobediance of orders Pleads guilty and Says the reason of His Disobedience was Because he had no Shoes, Could Not March with his Class for the want of Shoes and that he had a Field of Grain which the Cattle Got into and was obliged to make the fence to save his Grain, and that he thought the Expense of the Court would Not Cost as much as the Loss of his Grain since he was not Ready to March when Commanded.

The Court Having Considered the Prisoner find him Guilty of the Crime wherewith charged. The Court Fined him Fifteen Pounds to be paid within Three Days after Demanded and in Default thereof to be Imprisoned or Closely Confined untill Said Sum Together with Cost and Reasonable Charges be paid.

Tunis Jansen Brought before the Court for Disobedience of orders Pleads not Guilty & Saith the reason of his Disobedience was because he was Not at Home at the time the Sargent warned the men and that he Got no warning and did not know in what Class he was untill the Day after the Day The Classes Marched — Serjt. Henry Harp being duly sworn and saith he was ordered to warn his Class to which said Jansen did also belong, went to said Jansen's Home and did not see him but left word with his Parents to warn him to appear at the House of Jacobus Bush with five Days Provision who likewise promised they would give him warning accordingly. The Court Having Considered the Evidence for and against the Prisoner find Him Guilty of Crime said against him and Fine him Fifteen Pounds To be paid within three Days after Demanded and if Default of such payment to be Imprisoned or Closely Confined Untill the Same Shall be paid together with Cost and Reasonable Charges.

The Court is adjourned untill the 23 Instant Eight oClock in the Morning.

1778 June 23 — The Court opened according to adjournment Capt. Andries Bevier, President, Capt. Joakim Schoonmaker, Lieut. Derick Westbroock, Lieut. Jacobus Hasbroock, Lieut. John Depuy, Lieut. Joseph Hasbroock. Lieut. Brodhead I. A. absent Lieut. Reuben D Witt assumes his Place.

William Sluyter Brought before the Court for Disobedience of orders Pleads Guilty and Says that he had no Shoes when Received Notice to march and that he was Not Well the Court having Considered on the Prisoner find him Guilty of the Crime Laid against him and adjudge him to pay a Fine of Ten Pounds within Three Days after Demanded and in Case he does Not so pay to be Imprisoned or Closely Confined untill Said Sum together with all Cost be paid.

Jacob Krom Brought before the Court for Disobedience of orders Pleads Not Guilty and Says that he was Not able to March on account of Lameness — William Kelder being Duly sworn Saith that the said Jacob Krom Two or three Days before being warned Showed him his Hip whereon (he said) a Horse had Trod and Bruised and had his knee also hurt which hurts said Kelder says he saw — The Court having Duly Considered the Evedence for and against Said Krom adjudge him Guilty of the Charge against him and the Court Fines him Four pounds to be paid Three Days after Demanded Together with all Cost and Charges and in Default of Such payment to be Closely Imprisoned or otherwise Confined untill the same be paid.

Joseph Depuy Brought before the Court for Disobedience of orders Pleads Guilty and Says the Reason of his Disobedience is solely owing to these Reasons Viz. He having Last Year Met with the Misfortune of Loosing his Barn by a Flash of Lightning, and with Much Difficulty and Hard Labour got the Timber for a New Barn which at the time of his being ordered out, wanted four Days work of a Carpenter Who he had at the same time to Compleat the Frame for Raising and said Carpenter Could by No Means Stay Longer with him and if did not imbrace the then oppertunity had Not the Least prospect of Having a Barn this Season and further Says that his Wife was very ill and himself very Subject to the Rheumetism and further Saith that he Took Great pains to find a Man to Serve in his Barn.

Cornelius Depuy Being Duly Sworn and Saith that some time before Joseph Depuy was Classed and ordered out — it Happened that Said Joseph Depuy told him in a complaining way of his Infirmity Viz — Rheumetism — The Court Having Duly Considered the Evedence for and against the prisoner The Court adjudges him to pay the fine of Fifteen pounds within Three Days after Demanded Together with Cost and Charges and if said Prisoner Should fail in payment thereof he shall be Imprisoned or otherwise Closely Confined untill paid.

By order of the Court
And. Bevier President

The Governor approves of the several Sentences above mentioned against Johannis York William Sluyter & Jacob Krom and orders them to be carried into Execution immediately But Considering the Case of Joseph Depue & his late Misfortunes remits his Punishment

Poughkeepsie 26th June 1778. Geo Clinton

Col. Johannis Hardenburgh, in June, 1779, brought in a bill of £55.18.0 against the State for a Court-Martial held at the house of John Graham, in Shawangunk; also, another bill of £143.16.0 for a Court-Martial held at the house of Arthur Smith in "Newberough". A total of £1659.17.4, in fines, was reported. On Nov. 20, 1780, the Class of Thaddeus Seely, in Col. William Allison's regiment was adjudged delinquent for not finding a man to serve for three months. Col. Henry I. Van Rensselaer, on Jan. 14, 1782, ordered a Court-Martial "for the Tryal of Persons who have neglected or refused to perform Military Duty since the first of October 1780".

Received, February 1st 1781, from Col. Abraham J. Van Alstyne, of the Kinderhook Militia, Ninety Pounds of the New Emitted Money on Account of the Delinquent Classes; and I have also received from him, on the 1st of January last, one hundred and twenty pounds of the New Money on the same Account.

Gerard Bancker, Treas'r.

[Indorsement on above]

Kinderhook 10th April, 1781.

Sir:— Please to pay the within sum of Two Hundred & Ten Pounds unto Peter J. Vosburgh, according to an Act to amend an Act entitled "An Act to complete the Quota of the Troops of this State to serve in the Army of the United States during the War", passed the 21st February, 1781.

Gerard Bancker Esq., Treasurer — Abr'm J. Van Alstine, Coll.

Received, May 5th, 1781, from Gerard Bancker, Treasurer, two hundred and ten pounds New Emission in full for the above Order.

£210 — Peter J. Vosburgh.

Received, April 22d, 1781, from Gerard Bancker, Treasurer, one hundred & forty two pounds, ten shillings, New Emission Money which he returns me, so much I paid into the Treasury the 1st February, Moneys exacted from the Classes of my Regiment who neglected to furnish a Man during the War.

£142.10 — Peter Van Ness, [Col.]

1781 — Col. Roswell Hopkins Dr. to State of New York.

March 3	To the Balance of Fines from Delinquents in his Regt. £9515.4.0 Continental at 40 for 1	£237.17.7
June 19	To Cash rece'd from Capt. Caleb Haight, Fines of a Delinquent Class, New Emission	9.10.0
		£247.7.7

Auditor's Office, New York, July 6th 1785.

I have examined the above account & laid the Case before the Committee appointed by Law to instruct me, who agreed that Col. Roswell Hopkins should pay into the Treasury the Sum of Two Hundred & Forty Seven Pounds, Seven Shillings & Seven Pence, Principal Sum in State Securities, date previous to the third of March, 1781.

Gerard Bancker, Esq. Treasurer — P. T. C. [Peter T. Curtenius, Auditor-Gen]

This day personally appeared before me Colo. Roswell Hopkins who deposeth & saieth that he received of Lieut Colol Wm. Barker President of a Court Martial who Set for the Tryel of delinquents March the 3d 1781, the Sum of Nine Thousand five hundred & fifteen pounds 4/ & no more in which was the ballance of fines after the Charges of C. M. were

deduct Continental money & also on the 19 of June following the Sum of Nine pounds ten Shillings in New Emission from Capt. Caleb Haight for a delinquent Class in his Company.

Wall Kill Nov 6, 1782 Roswell Hopkins Colo

Sworn before me
P. T. Curtenius S Audr

£9515.4 Continental is reduced at 75 for one.....	£126.17
New Emission Recd from Capt. Haight for fines of a Del Class	9.10
	£136.7

Wall Kill Nov 6, 1782 I have this day Examined the above acct & find that there is due to the State of New York from Colol Roswell Hopkins for fines the Sum of One hundred & Twenty Six pounds 17/ in Specia & Nine pounds 10/ in New Emission.

P. T. Curtenius S. A.

Deserters

The Continental Congress allowed $10., and mileage one way, for apprehending a Deserter. The Provincial Congress paid varying amounts for a like service. In 1778, the Chairman of the Orange County Committee acknowledged the receipt of several fines for harboring Deserters. The fine was £20. for each Deserter harbored. The term "Deserter" was not always one of reproach. Many of those who were thus called merely absented themselves and rejoined their commands, without question. Others are described, in the documents, as having afterward "joined and served to the end of the War"; or "joined and afterwards died". The term "Absent" would more correctly describe the real conduct of many of the Soldiers. In the Land Bounty Rights there is often a serious doubt whether the word "deserted" refers to the Soldier or to his claim on the land.

The Pay of the Militia

The Provincial Congress, Aug. 1, 1775, resolved that each enlisted man be allowed 53s. 4d. per month in such manner as the Troops of Connecticut and Massachusetts Bay receive their pay; that they be allowed one Blanket and one Regimental coat; that they be allowed 10s for the use of their arms; and that, if they have no arms, arms shall be furnished them to be either returned or paid for at the close of the Campaign.

In Provincial Congress New York may 29th 1776.

Mr. Sands, on behalf of the Auditors, informed the Congress that the officers of the first, or Colo. Lasher's, Battalion have delivered their Accounts for the Services of that Regiment on Fatigue in pursuance of the Order of the provincial Congress of the fourteenth day of March last. That the officers of that Regiment have charged full pay and the number of rations allowed to officers in the Continental Army at 10 1-2d for each ration for every day thay were on duty, tho it appears by their Returns that very frequently they had not the number of Privates on Duty. Ordered & directed, by the Ninth Resolution and Order for that purpose passed on the said 14th day of March last, That, as the Said Ninth resolution does not enable the Auditors to discharge those Accounts, the Auditors request the Directions of this Congress on the subject.

Determined that the Officers shall be allowed the like number of Rations as the Continental Officers of like ranks are allowed. But that the Officers who, in any Instance, have not had the full Complement of Men on Duty or fatigue agreeable to the said Ninth Resolution be allowed only a proportion of pay & a proportion of the Value of Rations in the proportion to the number of Men they had on fatigue bears to the Numbers Ordered for a Regiment or a Company by the Said Ninth Resolution of the fourteenth day of March last.

Rob't Benson — Secr'y

In Committee of Safety of the State of New York — Fishkill November 8th 1776.

Resolved that this Committee will Pay wages and the Value of the Rations remaining due to such of the Officers and men belonging to Coll. Smith's regiment as are now actually within such parts of this or the neighbouring States as are not in the possession of the enemy for the time they have respectively been in Service.

Resolved that a copy of the above Resolution be served on Lieut. Coll. Sands and that he be Directed to Procure muster Rolls to be returned to this Committee, or Convention of this State, under the Oath of the Officers commanding Companies Containing the Names of those men only who are now within such parts of this or the Neighbouring States as are not in the Possession of the enemy.

Resolved that the President or Vice President & the Chairman of each Respective County Committee in this State be empowered to administer Such Oaths.

Rob't Benson, Secr'y.

The documents contain many elaborate tables "Calculated for the Use of the Militia Officers of the State of New York to shew them at one View the Amount of there pay from one day to three Months at the present pay of the American Army". The laws of Oct. 4, 1780, and Apr. 21, 1787 refer more particularly to the payment of the Soldiers.

This is to Certify that I John Kline of Hurley in the County of Ulster and State of New York have Bargind and Sold to James Roe of Kingston Silver Smith my Wages Which Shall grow Due for my Service as a Soldier upon the frontears Commenced the twenty Ninth Day of April 1782 and to Continue till the first Day of Jenuary Ensuing Unless soonner Discharged for the Consideration of two Pounds to me paid in In hand, James Roe is hearby Empowerd to Receve my Said Wages which shall grow Due for my said Sarvis from any Pay Master which shall be appinted and his Recept Shall be a Suffichunt Voucher to the Said Pay Master.

his
John X Kline.
mark

As Witness my hand this Seventh Day of May 1782.

Anthonie Hofman
Nathaniel Coleman

Please deliver unto the Bearer hereof the Certificate for the Wages due to John Kline for his Service in the Levies in 1782 and his Receipt Shall be your Discharge.

Kingston Aug. 2nd 1784.

James Roe.

To whom it may Concern.

Recd. October 20th., 1792 from Gerard Bancker, Treasr., a Certificate for Fifteen pounds Seventeen Shillings and nine pence in full for depreciation of Pay due me as a Serjeant during the late War.

£15.17.9

Jacob Hicks.

N.B. He produced his discharge from the Commander in Chief.

Hoosick March 25th 1786.

Sir —,Please to pay unto the Barer Joel Abbot the sertificates signed by the Treasurear of the State of New York Beloning to me for servises Don in your Regiment of Millisha and this Recept shall be your Discharge from me.

Jonathan Russell

Ephraim Marsh jun.

Just before the end of the War, in 1780, Joseph Gasherie, John Haring and Thomas Moffatt were appointed Auditors to Liquidate the Accounts of the Troops. Their accounts were voluminous and well-kept:—

The State of New York in Acct Current with John Haring, Joseph Gasherie & Thomas Moffat Auditors, appointed to Liquidate & settle the Accounts of the Troops of this State in the Service of the United States

Dr.	
To John Haring as pr his Acct herewith deld.	£269.12.
To Joseph Gasherie as pr his Accot herewith deld	510.15
To Thomas Moffat as pr his Accot herewith deld	452. 3.
To Cash paid by the Auditors to Samuel Loudon for printing, Paper &c per his Accot herewith deliverd	79. 9.
	£1311.19
Cr.	
By Cash reced of the State Treasurer by Virtue of the Act for liquidating & setling the Accots of the Troops of this State in the Service of the United States passed the 4th October 1780	£100.
By Cash rece'd of the State Treasurer agreeable to the Act for the payment of Certain Contingenties passed the 11th April 1782	150.
By ditto rece'd of ditto agreable to the Act for the payment of the Salaries of the Several Officers of Government passed the 11th May 1784	400.
By Balance due the Auditors	661.19
	£1311.19
To Balance due the Auditors	£661.19

New York 1st March 1785

John Haring
Joseph Gasherie
Thos Moffat

Dr. The State of New York in Account current with Thomas Moffat and Joseph Gasherie two of the Auditors Appointed to liquidate and settle the Accounts of the late Troops of the State of New York, in the Service of the United States.

1788 June 16 To Thomas Moffat as per Acct	£101.5
To Joseph Gasherie as pr do	115.1.6
	£216.6.6

Errors Excepted pr
Thos. Moffat } Auditors
Joseph Gasherie }

The Soldiers were often paid in lands taken from the Tories:—

C No. 4641 STATE of NEW YORK, July 31, 1780.

THIS CERTIFICATE will entitle Hanry Geraldman Serjeant in the fifth New York Regiment or his Assigns, to receive from the Treasury of this State, at the expiration of the present War, the Sum of Eleven pounds Eleven Shillings and two pence in Gold or Silver, at the rate of Eight Shillings for a Spanish milled Dollar, with Interest for the same, at the Rate of Five per Cent. per Annum, from the Date hereof; and, at any Time until redeemed, shall be received in Payment upon Purchases of Confiscated Lands, for the Amount of the Principal and Interest thereof, at the same Rate with Specie; according to an Act, entitled "An Act to liquidate and settle the Accounts of the Troops of this State, in the Service of the United States", Passed the 4th of October 1780.

Joseph Gasherie } Auditors
Thos. Moffatt }

£11.11.2

A Schedule of the Books, Accounts Vouchers, Certificates, Checks Blanks and papers belonging to the Office of the Auditors appointed to Liquidate and settle the accounts of the late Troops of the State of New York in the Service of the United States. Vizt.

For the depreciation of pay.

Commissioned officers	1 Bundle	No.	1 to 100	
	1 do	101	200	
	1 do	201	277	
1st Regiment	1 do	1	100	
	1 do	101	145	also Acounts marked A to G
2d do	1 do	1	100	
	1 do	101	206	
3rd do	1 do	marked A to K and No. 1 to 37		
4th do	1 do	marked A, B and No. 3 to 100		
	1 do	No. 101 to 176		
5th do	1 do	marked A. and No. 3 to 100		
	1 do	No. 101 to 200		
	1 do	201	261	
Livingston do	1 do	1	85	
Artillery do	1 do	1	100	
	1 do	101	139	
Spencers & Malcoms do	1 do	1	92	
Warners do	1 do	1	34	
Hazens do	1 do	1	27	
Cavalry	1 do	1	15	
Invalids	1 do	1	9	
Militia	1 do	1	53	
Artificers	1 do	1	43	

1 do containing certificates of Pierce and others concerning the Hospital and Medical department

1 Bundle Receipts No. 1 to 13

1 Bond of John L. Hardenbergh et alias dated the 28th February 1783

8 Alphabetical Books of Accounts

one book a general Statement of the Accounts for the depreciation of pay.

one do for the pay of 1781

For the pay of 1781.

1 Book, the Return of the paymaster of the 1st New York Regiment

1 do do 2nd do

1 do do 2nd do Artillery

1 do Vouchers for the pay of 1781

1 Bundle	Orders marked	A	1 do	marked	I
1 do	do	B	1 do	do	K
1 do	do	C	1 do	do	L
1 do	do	D	1 do	do	M
1 do	do	E	1 do	do	N
1 do	do	F	1 do	do	O
1 do	do	G	1 do	do	P
1 do	do	H			

1 do containing Pierces and Foxes Certificates for 1781

Artificers

The Checks for the pay 1781 No. 1 to 1927
do for the depreciation of pay No. 1 to 4694
1 Bundle Blank Certificates for depreciation of pay
1 do do for the pay of 1781
To £1133.15. 1 in depreciation certificates signed by the Auditors as per the list signed and delivered by them may appear.
To £3821.16 in certificates for the pay of 1781 Signed by the Auditors as per the list Signed and delivered by them may appear.

June 16th 1788

Thos Moffat } Auditors
Joseph Gasherie }

The above was indorsed by the State Treasurer, as follows:—

Two Lists of Certificates which the Auditors for Army accounts left into the hands of Gerard Bancker State Treasurer which he is directed by law to deliver to the Individuals or to their legal representitives when demanded Vizt

One list for the Depreciation of pay amounting to	£1133.15.1
One ditto for the pay of 1781 amounting to.....	3821.16
	£4955.11.1

In settling the claims of the State of New York against the United States for money paid to the Soldiers, this comment, relating to one of the claims, was made by the Auditor General, Peter T. Curtenius "Capt. Alexr Harper's pay Roll £400.2.2. for his Services & the men under him for guides &c on the Western Expedition. This service was perform'd at the request of Gen'l James Clinton who was an Officer acting under the Authority of the United States. Therefore this is a Claim against the United States & not against this State". Further comments by the Auditor-General, on this subject, will be found, below, in "Claims of the State against the United States".

The Pay of the Continental Army

The documents contain many references to the Pay of the Continental Soldiers, and to the action of the Continental Congress thereon. (See the reference named in the last paragraph).

The Continental Congress ordered that the Pay of the Army, in 1775 and 1776, should be, in "Lawful" money (a slight discount from "New York" money) per month as follows:— Brigade Major, $33; Colonel, £15; Lieutenant Colonel, £12; Major, £10; Captain, £8; Lieut., £5:8; Adjut. & Qr. Mastr., £5:10; Ensign, £4; Sergeant, £2:8; Corp^{l}. Drum & fife £2:4; Private, £2. This made the daily pay of a private 1 sh. 4 d.

The Congress also allowed these Rations:— "Since 27 May 1777 when they find themselves, when they are in the field where they can draw Provisions it is supposed they draw one ration if they neglect it it is their own loss & are not to be allow^{d} for it": A Sub, 2; Capt., 3: Major, 4; Colol., 6; Lt. Colol., 5; Surg., 4; Mate, 2; Adjut., in addit^{n} to his Comm^{r}., 1; Qr. Master, 1; Paymaster, 1; Private, 1.

The Dragoons in the Continental service were allowed the following monthly Pay, in Dollars:— Lieut. Col., 75; Major, 60; Captains, 50; Lieutenants, 33 1/3; Cornets, 26 2/3; Ser-

jeants, 15; Corporals, 10; Trumpeters, 10; Farriers, 10; Private Dragoons, 8 1/3. A ration of Forage 1/4.

The following Resolves were passed by the Continental Congress:

October 7, 1776, Monthly Pay of the American Army Commencing January 1, 1777 to the 27th May, 1778 — Pay pr Month:— Colonel, 75 dollars; Lieut. Colonel, 60; Major, 50; Chaplain, 33 1/3; Surgeon, 60; Surgeon's Mate, 40; Quarter Master, 27 1/2; Pay Master, 40; Captain, 40; Lieut., 27; Ensign, 20; Adjutant, 40; Serg. Major, 9; Qr. Mast. Sergt., 9; Drum Major, 8 1/3; Fife Major, 8 1/3; Sergeant, 8; Corporal, 7 1/3; Drum, 7 1/3; Fife, 7 1/3; Private, 6 2/3.

October 14, 1776. That one penny be allowed in lieu of rations to such men as have paid their expences while on their march to and from the camp from & to their respective homes.

December 21, 1776. That Gen. Washington be directed to pay the militia that may Reinforce his Army, in the same manner as his other troops are paid; and that on their discharge one penny a mile be allowed in lieu of rations to support them on their march to their respective places of abode.

THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE AMERICAN ARMY, MAY 27TH, 1778.

			Pay.	Subsistance.
Commissioned	1	Colonel & Captain	75 doll. pr Mo	50 doll. pr Mo
	1	Lt. Colonel & Captain	60	40
	1	Major & Captain	50	30
	6	Captains each	40	20
	1	Capt. Lieut.	26 2/3	10
	8	Lieutenants each	26 2/3	10
	9	Ensigns each	20	10
	x	Paymaster	20	
	x	Adjutant	13	
	x	Qr. Master	13	
	1	Surgeon	60	30
	1	Surgeon's Mate	40	10
	1	Sergeant Major	10	
	1	Quarter Master Sergeant	10	
	27	Sergeants each	10	
	1	Drum Major	9	
	1	Fife Major	9	
	18	Drummers & fifers each	7 1/3	
	27	Corporals each	7 1/3	
	Rations to be pd. to 1 June 1778 at 2/8 N. Y. Cury.			
	447	Privates each	6 2/3	

x To be taken from the Line and paid, as above, in addition to their pay as officers in the Line

ARTILLERY'S MONTHLY PAY, MAY 27, 1778.

		Pay per Month.	Subsistance.
1	Colonel	100 dollars	50 dol. pr Mo
1	Lieut. Colonel	75	40
1	Major	62 1/2	30
12	Captains each	50	20
12	Capt. Lieuts. each	33 1/3	10
12	first Lieuts. each	33 1/3	10
36	Secd. Lieuts. each	33 1/3	10

	Pay per Month.	Subsistance.
x Pay Master	25 dollars	
x Adjutant	16	
x Qr. Master	16	
1 Surgeon	75	30 dol. pr Mo
1 Surgeon's Mate	50	10
1 Sergeant Major	11 23/90th	
1 Quarter Mastr. Sergt.	11 23/90th	
1 fife Major	10 38/90	
1 drum Major	10 38/90	
72 Sergeants each	10	
72 Bombardiers each	9	
72 Corporals each	9	
72 gunners each	8 2/3	
24 drums & fifes each	8 2/3	
336 Mattrosses each	8 1/3	
1777 Apr. 11		
Brigade Major	50 doll. pr mo.	
Regim[1] Chaplain	40 Do	
Judge Advocate	60 Do	

x To be taken from the Line and paid, as above, in addition to their pay as officers in the Line.

In 1783, a Lieutenant of Infantry, in the Line of the United States Army, was paid $26 2/3 per month; and two rations per day, valued at $8., per month.

Bounties

The Provincial Congress, Aug. 1, 1775, resolved that every Officer enlisting a man should be paid $1. for each Soldier passing Muster, the Officer paying the expense of such enlistment. Soon afterward, a bounty of $50 was allowed to Soldiers enlisting in the Levies; and there is in evidence a receipt of Capt. Isaac Belknap, dated Nov. 6, 1776, for $525 paid by the Committee of Ulster County for 21 men belonging to his Company of Rangers. It appeared to be the business of the several County Committees to provide the Bounty money at that period of the War.

Oxford 25th July 1776 then received of William Allison Esqr. Nine hundred and Nineteen pounds Seventeen shillings and four pence for paying the Bounty of the troops to be raised on the North Side of the Mountains in Orange County agreeable to a resolve of the Convention of the State of New York of the 15th Instant.

pr me Elihu Marvin.

Oyster Bay 13th August 1776 Recvd of George Townsand by the hand of Samuel Townsand Six hundred and twenty two pound 14/8 being money Sent by the Convention of the State of New York to pay the Bounty of men Lately raised in Queens County for the purpose of Guarding the Stock of the Said County.

For Colo. John Sands
Thomas Jackson.

In Committee of Safety for the State of New York Fishkill November 2d 1776.

Captain Elias Hasbrouck applied for the Second Moiety of the Bounty for 25 Men of his Company who are enlisted and Mustered as appears by the Muster Roll delivered in —

Thereupon ordered that Robert Boyd Esqr Chairman of the committee of Ulster County pay to Captn. Elias Hasbrouck the sum of three hundred and twelve dollars and one half of a dollar in full for the Bounty of the said Twenty five Men Out of the money formerly deposited in his hands for advancing the first Moiety of the Bounty to the rangers raised in Ulster County — that Mr Boyd take duplicates of a receipt from Captain Hasbrouck for that Money — the Duplicates of that receipt to be of the same Tenor and Date and declaring that they are duplicates and for the same sum.

John McKesson, Secry.

The Committee of Safety for the State of New York, Fishkill November 5th 1776.

Whereas it appears by a Certificate signed by the Chairman of the County Committee of Ulster County that Captn. Isaac Bellknap and the other officers of his Company are duly qualified according to the resolutions of the Convention of this state — And by the Muster Roll of the said Company signed and Subscribed by the officers it appears that the Said Company consists of Twenty one Non-Commissioned Officers and privates — Ordered that Robert Boyd Esquire Chairman of the Committee of Ulster County pay to Captn. Isaac Bellknap Two hundred and Sixty two Dollars and One half of a Dollar in full for the Second or last Moiety of the Bounty of the said Twenty One Rangers raised in Ulster County out of the Money formerly deposited in his hands for advancing the first Moiety of the Bounty to the said Rangers — that Mr. Boyd take duplicates of the receipt from Captn. Bellknap for that Money — The Duplicates of that receipt to be of the same Tenor and Date and declaring that they are duplicates and for the same Sum

N. B. the said Muster Roll is filed in the Auditor Generals Office.

John McKesson, Secy

In Committee of Safety for the State of New York Decr. 16th 1776.

Resolved that the Treasurer of this State advance, on the Credit of the United States to Col Lewis Dubois, or his order the Sum of fifteen hundred Pounds on Account of Bounty Money for recruting his Regiment.

£1500

By order

John Williams Chairman.

Attest

Robt Benson, Secry

In Convention of the Representatives of the State of New York, July 25th; 1776.

Ordered that Peter Van brugh Livingston Esquire as Treasurer advance to Capt James Stewart the Sum of One hundred and Forty four Pounds in order to enable him to advance the Bounty to those men he may enlist in his Company agreable to the Resolutions of this Convention of this Day and take his Receipt to be accountable for the same to the Treasurer of this State.

Robt. Benson Secry.

Recd. July 26th.? 1776. from P. VB. Livingston one hundred and forty four pounds in full for the within written Order.

James Stewart.

£144

In Convention of the Representatives of the State of New York Harlem August 21st., 1776.

Orderd that Peter Van Brugh Livingston Esqr as Treasurer advance to Capt. John Wisner 580 Dollars to enable him to pay one half of the Bounty to the Privates and non-commissioned Officers of his Company as part of the Militia of Orange County raised or to be raised agreable to the Resolutions of this Convention of the 16th. Day of July last. Captn. Wisner to be accountable to this Convention or their Order, & to the Coll. of the Regiment to which he belongs for the Disposition of that Money. And the Coll. of the Regiment to which Captain Wisner belongs being at present on Duty at Kings Bridge, Ordered that Colo. Allison and Colo. Hawthorn, or either of them to be are hereby impowered authorized and requested to muster the Men of Captn. Wisner's Company previous to their receiving one half of their Bounty.

John McKesson Secry.

Recd. August 21st., 1776. from P. VB. Livingston by the hands of Gerard Bancker five hundred and eighty Dollars in full for the within Order.

Dollars 580. John Wisner.

No. 904 Capt. John Wisner £ 232 0 0.

In Convention of the Representatives of the State of New York Aug't. 24th., 1776.

Resolved and Ordered that Peter VB Livingston Esqr as Treasurer of this Convention advance to Colo. Isaac Nicoll Seventy two pounds to enable him to pay the one Moiety of the Bounty due to eighteen privates of his Regiment and muster the said Men, Col Nicoll to be accountable to this Convention for the disposition of that Money

Robt Benson, Secry.

In Convention of the Representatives of the State of New York, October 4th., 1776.

Resolved that the Sum of Six thousand four hundred and twelve dollars and two eights of a dollar being the remaining part of the Bounty and one Months wages and rations due to the officers and Men of the four Companies of Rangers raised and established for the immediate protection and defence of the Counties of Cumberland and Gloucester under the command of Major Joab Hoisington forthwith Transmitted for their use.

Resolved that Mr. Sessions and Mr. Taylor be requested to repair to the County of Cumberland and unite with Col. Marsh one of the Members of the said County as a Committee from this Convention to see the Preceeding Resolutions of this Convention carried into execution.

Resolved that the Treasurer of this State pay to the said Committee the before mentioned Sum of Six thousand four hundred and Twelve Dollars and two eights of a dollar for the purposes above mentioned and the further Sum of Two hundred dollars to defray the charge of their Journey for the expenditure of which they are to be accountable to this Convention.

John McKesson, Secry.

Received New Windsor 30th May 1781 of Capt Thomas Machin the sum of twenty pounds in Bills of the New Emission of this State for Bounty for which I inlisted to serve During the War in Col John Lamb's Regiment of Artillery —

£20.0.0 John Cannon

Saml. Logan

The Continental Congress, Oct. 8, 1776, resolved that a suit of clothes should be given "as a Bounty to the Soldiers who shall list during the War". The same Congress, March 9, 1779, recommended that each State should fill its complement of men by drafts; that a Bounty of $200 should be given to each draft; and that each State should be credited for $200 for each recruit it brought into the field for three years.

Kingston 3d., September 1777.

The following Articles of Cloathing Deliverd The Continental Troops Of the State of New York as a Bounty are as follows. Vizt.

2 Shirts	@ 24/	£2	8	
2 pair Shoes	@ 16/	1	12	
2 pair Stockings	@ 10/8	1	1	4
1 pair B. Skin breeches	@ 60/	3		
2 Frocks	@ 13/	1	6	
1 Hatt			10	
2 pair Overalls	@ 16/	1	12	
1 Jacket Or Vest		2	8	
		£13	17	4

The Above Quoted prices are Averag'd as near prime Cost as possible.

John Henry, (Commy. Cloathg.
State N. York)

Bounty of Cloathing allowd for a Year by the Instructions for Inlistment Dated Dec 15, 1776 Vizt.

2 Linen hunting Shirts
2 Pr Hose
2 Pr Overhalls
1 Leather or Woollen Waistcoat with Sleeves
1 Pr Breeches
1 Hatt or leathern Cap and
2 Pr Shoes

Amounting in the whole to the Value of 20 Dollars.

The claims of the State against the United States for moneys expended in Bounties are voluminous; but they are unsatisfactory because they are not footed. An apparent summary charges the United States with $597171 32/90

Later in the war, July 1, 1780, a law provided that a Soldier enlisting in the Continental Battalions from the Levies should have a Bounty of one and a half bushels of Wheat for each month of his service; and that the same Bounty should be paid to every man joining the Levies from the Militia. The Wheat, it was also provided, should be taken by impress, and the paper money given therefor was receivable for Taxes.

By his Excellency George Clinton Esq Governor of the State of New York &c &c
To Stephen Burges, Greeting —

Pursuant to an Act entitled "An Act to complete the continental Battalions raised under the Direction of this State" (Passed July 1, 1780) You are hereby authorized to impress for your own Use as a Bounty for your Service in the fourth Regiment of this State in the Service of the United States agreeable to the annexed Certificate Ten Bushels of Wheat from any Person whom Matthew Adgate Esq shall deem can conveniently spare the same & whose name shall by him be endorsed on this Warrant

Given at Poughkeepsie this 11th June 1781 Geo. Clinton
By his Excellency's Command
Robt. Benson, Secry.

[Indorsed] Kings District Recd of Hosea Bules the amount of the within mentioned ten bushels of Wheat

Steven Burges

(See, also, Land Bounty Rights in the Chapter on the "Surveyor-General").

Pensions

Patrick Farrel was the Commissioner of Pensions. The Board to Examine Invalids consisted of Col. Peter Gansevoort, Richard Platt, Surgeon Nicholas Schuyler, Gen. Philip Schuyler, Gen. Abraham Ten Broeck and Richard Varick.

A concurrent Resolution of the Legislature, Mar. 5, 1783, provided that certain soldiers, having produced the necessary evidence conformable to the Acts of Congress and the law of this State, are entitled to receive one half of their monthly pay from the time of their being wounded. The more important of the laws relating to pensions were passed as follows:— Mar. 10, 1779; Mar. 18, 1783; Apr. 17, 1784; Apr. 22, 1786; Mar. 26, 1794. Some of the Pension papers are very complete, as many as eight or ten being in connection with a single name. But there were many Pensions, evidence of which does not appear in these documents.

The applications describe the location and nature of the wounds; and from these it would seem that no one was wounded in the back. A list of the Pensioners, as evidenced by the documents, will be found on page 371 of "New York in the Revolution".

An accounting of the State with the United States, in 1789, showed that the State should have credit for $24,133 45/90 more than the $67,076 69/90 already charged to the United States. The following was the usual way of sending in an account:—

United States Dr. to State of New York for Seven Years half pay paid by said State. Interest calculated at 6 pr Ct. Ann^{m} to 1st January 1787.

Number of Vouchers	To whom paid	Interest Commencing	Principal £ S D	Amount in Dollars Dollrs 90ths	Time of Interest Y M D	Interest Dollrs 90ths
No. 1	Children of Dederick Wooleber	1781 Augt 6th	112	280	5 4 25	90 66
2	Widow of James Bradt	1782 Augt 31	112	280	4 4	72 72
3	Widow of John Lee	1783 July 15	112	280	3 5 15	58 9
4	Children of Aaron Knapp	1782 Jany. 15	112	280	4 11 15	83 27
5	Children of Jacobus Crans	1781 Octobr 6	112	280	5 2 25	87 87
			560	1400		392 81

State of New York Dr. to Thomas Done

To my half Pay as an Invalid Private from 15 feby to 15 aug 1785 is 6 Months at 6/8 pr Mh £ 8.

Recapitulation of Monies paid to Invalids

Audited by Comfort Sands Esqr agreable to an Act passed 10 March 1779	£ 649.19.10
" P. T. Curtenius Esqr agreable to ditto Act in the year 1782	1485. 9. 3
" " " " " " " " " " 1783	54.12.
" " " " " " " " " " 1784	3384.13.
" " " " " " " " " " 1785	2115. 8. 8
" " " " " " " " " " 1786	2571.10. 7
Partial Supports at different times	696. 7.11
Paid by G. Bancker Esqr agreable to an Act passed 18 March 1783 in 1783	406. 8.
" " " " " " " " " " 1784	1423.10.
" " " " " " " " " " 1785	1209. 5. 4
Audited & Paid agreable to an Act passed 22 April 1786	8323. 1
£23520. 7. 1	£23520. 7. 1

Sir Accountants Office New York Novr 25th 1788.

I have revised sundry accounts, the State of New York against the United States, for Pensions paid to Invalids conformably to Acts of Congress of the 26th August 1776; 25th Septr 1778; 23d April 1782; and 7th June 1785; and find — That agreeably to Accounts herewith, marked A, B, & C, they make the following charges, Vizt

In Account A, to Amount of	£10760.15.10	
to which add balance of a/c Error	24.	£10784.15.10
Ditto, B, to Amount of	3039. 3. 4	
from which deduct bal. a/c Errors	139.17. 4	2899. 6.
Ditto, C, to Amount of	22868. 7.	
from which deduct bal. a/c Error	68. 6. 8	22800. 0. 4
Amounting in the whole to		£36484. 2. 2 Equal Dollars 91,210.24

That agreeably to an Act of Congress of the 11th June 1788, the said State is entitled to Credit on Account of Requisitions for the following Sums extracted from the accounts which have accrued on sundry distinct periods of time, as pr Abstracts herewith Vizt

Abstract No. 1 This Sum, being amount of pensions charged in account marked A, which accrued between the 1st January 1782 and the 31st December 1784 inclusive	£4646.13. 3	
Ditto marked Aa accrued on the years 1785 & 1786	850.11. 3	5497. 4. 6
Also to credit for this Sum, being for balance of the above mentioned account marked B, which accrued on the years 1783, 1784 & 1785		2899. 6.
That the State is entitled to a further Credit on a/c of requisitions for sundry payments to Pensioners charged in account marked C agreeably to the following Abstracts therefrom Vizt		
No. 2 Accrued between the 1st January 1782 and 31st December 1784, inclusive	£7034. 3. 9	
Abstract marked Cc being sundry Sums accrued on the following years		
vizt 1785	4157. 1.11	
1786	5132.11. 3	
and to 1st June 1787	2110. 6. 9	18434. 3. 8
Amount to Credit of requisitions		£26830.14. 2 Equal
		to Dollars 67,076.69/90

That agreeably to the beforementioned Abstracts No. 1 & 2 the said State has made sundry payments on account of Pensions which have accrued previous to the 1st January 1782 for Amount of which the State is entitled to Credit in account Current agreeably to the aforesaid Act of Congress vizt

No 1 To Amount of	£5287.11. 4	
2 ditto	4365.16. 8	£9653. 8.
		Equal to 24133.45

Amounting to Ninety one thousand two hundred and ten dollars, twenty four Ninetieths, Dollars 91210.24

Jno Woodside Clk of Accounts

To Joseph Hardy Esqr
Accountant

J. Hardy Accpth

The United States To the State of New York Dr.

For monies paid to Invalids agreeable to Resolves of Congress and Laws of the Legislature of Said State Vizt

Agreable to Resolves of Congress dated 26 August 1776 & 25 Sept 1778 and a Law of the State passed the 10th March 1779

Paid in 1779	£ 226. 8.
1780	37.16.
1781	122.13. 4
1782	1846.13. 3
1783	1254.12.
1784	3384.15. 5
1785	2115. 8. 8
1786	996. 1. 3
	9984. 7.11

Partial Supports pd in 1784	£548.19. 6		
in 1785	227. 8. 5	£776. 7.11	10760.15.10

Agreable to a Resolve of Congress dated the 23d Aprl 1782 & a Law of the State passed the 18th March 1783

Paid in 1783	406. 8.	
1784	1423.10.	
1785	1209. 5. 4	3039. 3. 4

Agreable to a Resolve of Congress dated June 7 1785 & a Law of the State passed 22d April 1786

Paid up to the 1st June 1786	10997.18. 9
	24797.17.11
Paid agreable to the same Resolve & law up to the 1st June 1787	11070. 8. 3
	£36668. 6. 2

Thus far the Invalid account has been made out & delivered agreable to the Resolution of the House of Assembly of the 1st Feby 1787

Agreable to a Resolve of Congress of the 11th June 1788 & paid to the 1st January 1788 amountg to £8287. 7. 8	8287. 7. 8
	£44955.13.10

N. B. this last account has not been delivered in but there is no doubt but it will be admitted because it is made out exactly conformabl to the last mentioned resolve commencg the 1st Jany 1782 & Ending the 1st Jany 1788

By the Statement of the Invalid Acct Received from the Accomptant of the Treasury Board the State has Credit on the Specia Requisition for	£26830.14. 2	
ad to this what has been pd to the 1st Jan 1788	8287. 7. 8	35118.11.10
		£9837.12. 0

The following were common forms of certificates and affidavits:—

We the Subscribers Abraham Ten Broeck and Peter Gansevoort Junr Do Certify that upon an Examination, in pursuance of the Law, entitled "An Act making Provision for Officers, Soldiers, and Seamen, who have been disabled in the Service of the United States". Passed the 22d of April, 1786, We do find that James Adams residing in the State of New York — Ages fifty two Years, late a Sarjeant in Capn Bleeckers Compy in the Regiment of Continental Troops Commanded by Coll Van Schaick and Claiming Relief under the Act of Congress, recited in the said Law, as an invalid in Fact; and that he became disabled in the Service of the United States, in Consequence of his Sight Nearly Lost — And Do further Certify, that upon the Principles of the said Act of Congress, the said James Adams is entitled to the Pay of five Dollars per Month.

GIVEN under our Hands, in the City of Albany, on the fourteenth Day September in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty-Six

Abm Ten Broeck
Peter Gansevoort

This day appeared before me Robert McClallen Esqr one of the Justices of the Peace of the City and County of Albany and State of New York James Adams & Made Oath, that he was Examined By Genl Abraham Ten Broeck & Genl Peter Gansevoort Esqr Commissioners appointed by said State for that purpose obtained a Certificate Setting forth that he Served as a Serjeant in Capt. Bleeckers Company in the Regiment of Continental Troops

Commanded By Colo Goose Van Schaaick & that he was Disabled in the Service of the United States in Consequence of his Sight Being Impaired & that he Now lives in the City of Albany & State aforesaid

Given under my Hand James Adams

Sworn before me Robert McClallen

Albany 20th may 1788

Other Pension papers, of a different form, give interesting facts relating to the War:—

City of New York ss

Richard Allison of Bethleham in Orang County Farmer being duly sworn maketh Oath that during the late War to wit some Time in May in the Year 1778 he inlisted as a private Soldier in Captain Israel Smith's Company in the 4th New York Regiment in the Service of the United States Commanded by Col. Henry B. Livingston for nine months that on the twenty-eighth Day of June in the Year one thousand seven hundred & seventy eight at the Battle of Monmouth while in the Company Regiment & Service aforesaid he was taken prisoner & when taken received four Wounds from the Enemy by a Cutlass one of which on the Head one other on his Neck which is much weakened by Reason of the Sinews being Cut, one other on the Right Shoulder & one on his Right Arm that he remained in Captivity about six Weeks that he was then exchanged & put into the Hospital. That by Reason of these several Wounds he is rendered in a great Measure incapable of obtaining his Livelihood by Labor, that on the Seventeenth Day of May last he was twenty nine Years of Age & that he now actually resides in Bethleham aforesaid.

Sworn this fourth day of Septr. 1789 Richard Allison

Before me Richard Varick Recorder

State of New York

Orange County

This may certify that Henry Brewster was Lieut. in a late Regiment of Militia raised within this State under my command. That he was on actual duty commanding a Company at Fort Montgomery on the 6th of October 1777 when the said Fort was taken by assault. That it was his fortune to be in a Redoubt commanded by Lieut. Col. McClaughry, who with his men defended it till they were many of them kill'd and wounded by the Enemys Bayonets. That the said Lieut. Henry Brewster at that time received several wounds by Bayonets in different parts of his Body, and a violent bruise on the head from the but of a firelock. That myself the Subscriber Lieut. Brewster and many others were carried Prisoners on board one of the enemys Ships called the Archer where the Subscriber saw him and supposed from the nature of his wounds that he could scarcely survive them. That one of his wounds aforesaid was by the thrust of a Bayonet, which entered his right side near the small of his Back reaching the Same and disabling him to that degree that myself and other officers of his acquaintance were of opinion that if he survived it would render him unfit for farther Service or Labour as a farmer.

In consequence of his said wounds when he arrived at New York was taken to the Hospital and from thence on board of a prison Ship where he suffered almost unto death. I think that Lieut. Brewster must (from what knowledge I have of the matter be in a great measure incapacitated from gaining a livelihood by Industry.

Given Under My Hand at Goshen in Said County ye 2d Day of October 1786 William Allison. [Col.]

Albany to wit. Timothy Bowen of the Manor of Rensselaerwyck in the County of Albany deposeth and saith upon the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that he this Deponent being a private Soldier in Captain Walter Vrooman's Company in the Regiment of Levies raised in this State whereof John Harper was Colonel was on the twenty third Day of October one thousand seven hundred and Eighty captured by the Enemy at Oneida in the State aforesaid and conveyed to and committed to Prison in Canada. That having found Means to escape from his

Confinement he was afterwards apprehended by a Party one of whom wounded him dangerously in the Belly with the Muzzle of a Musquet And his Hands being tied behind him for the Purpose of reconducting him to Prison with greater Safety they were so affected by the Frost as to occasion the Loss of the upper Joints of six of his Fingers. And this Deponent further saith that he was attended in his Illness consequent to those Injuries by a Surgeon or Physician belonging to the British Army. That whenever he performs Work in which it is necessary to bend his Body the Injury which he has received as aforesaid by the Wound in his Belly occasions such violent Pains that he is obliged to desist from his Labor. And further that he has a Family and further this Deponent saith not.

Sworn this Third Day of August 1785
before me
John Ten Broeck Alderman.

Coll Frederick Fisher Came before me Simon Veeder one of the Justices of the County of Montgomery in the State of New York and made Oath that he was examined by Abraham Ten Brook and Peter Gansevoort Junier Esquires, appointed by the said State for that purpose obtained a Certificate or had his Certificate Examined and Countersigned Setting forth that he had served as a Colonel of the Militia in the County of Montgomery that he was disabled by being wounded & Scalped at Caughnawaga on the 22 day of May 1780 by a Party of the Indians and that he now Lives in the District of Caughnawaga in the County of Montgomery.

Sworn Before me this 2d Day of May 1789 — Fredk Fisher [Col.]
Simon Veeder Justice

To Gerrard Banker Esqr.
Trassurer of the State of New York.

State of New York } ss
City of New York }

Jacob Gardineer of Mohawk's District in the County of Montgomery Blacksmith & Farmer being duly sworn maketh Oath That during the late war he was Captain of a Company in the Regiment of Montgomery (then Tryon County) Militia commanded by Colo. Frederick Fisher; That in August 1777 the same Regiment was ordered to march with others of Militia under the Command of B. Genl Harkimer to the relief of the Garrison of Fort Schuyler then invested by the Troops of the Enemy under the Command of B. Genl. St. Leger; That upon the March of the same regiment to wit on the Sixth Day of the same Month they were attacked by a Party of the Enemy between Oriska & Fort Schuyler aforesaid and were defeated. That in the Action the Deponent received three Wounds one of them in his Left Groin, a Second in his right Thigh and a third in his right Leg. That by Means of the several Wounds aforesaid he is in a great Measure rendered incapable of obtaining a Livelihood by his Trade or other hard Labor; That on the thirty first day of January last he was fifty seven Years of Age and that he now actually resides in Mohawk District in the County of Montgomery aforesd.

Sworn this twelfth Day of April 1787 — Jacob Gerdenyir
Before me Richd Varick, Recorder

State of New York } ss
City of New York }

Robert Harris of the City of New York in the State of New York Gentlemen being duly sworn maketh Oath That he was a Lieut in the Continental Sloop of War, the Reprisal in the Service of the United States commanded by Capt. Lambert Weeks Esquire; That while in the Service aforesaid on Board of the Sloop aforesd in an Engagement with the Swallow Packet a British Vessel on the fifth day of February in the year 1777 he lost his Left Arm by the accidental Explosion of one of his own Guns: By Means of which he is rendered incapable of obtaining a Livelihood by Labor; That he is about fifty four Years of Age; That he now

actually resides at the City of New York aforesaid; That his pay while a Lieutenant as aforesaid was thirty Dollars per month.

Robert Harris

Sworn this fourth Day of Augt. 1787
Before me Richd. Varick, Recorder

I do certify that Lieut. Talmage Hall of the 7th Connecticut Regiment when under my Command upon the Night of the 16th July 1779 in the Discharge of his duty Gallantly Advancing to the Storm on the British Lines on Stoney Point received two Wounds — one in the Wrist, the other in the Groin.

Anty Wayne B. G.
Commg the Pennsa Line

Given at Totowa this 18th day of Oct 1780

Recd November 13th 1784 from James Ivery his dischge from the 2d New York Regiment Signed by his Excellency General Washington dated the 6th January 1783, which I am by Law directed to retain in my Hands, on my paying him his pension which I have this day done up to the 2d June 1784. Amounting to £33.14. 8.

Gerard Bancker Treasr.

By His Excellency George Clinton Esquire Governor of the State of New York & Richard Varick of the City of New York Esquire.

We do certify, That in Pursuance of the Law of the State of New York Entitled "An Act making Provision "for Officers, Soldiers & Seamen who have been disabled in the Service of the United States", We have examined the Case of Matthew Jansen Junr. of Shawangunk in the County of Ulster Farmer and find that during the late War he was Captain of a Company in a Regiment of Levies in the Service of the United States raised in the State of New York in the Year one thousand Seven hundred & Seventy Seven & commanded by Colonel William Allison; That the said Matthew Jansen Junr being in actual Service, at Fort Clinton one of the Out Redoubts of Fort Montgomery in the High Lands, in the Night of the sixth of October in the same Year, received an Injury in his left Eye, by a Musket Shot, by which Means the Sight thereof is much impaired; That in attempting to make his Escape from the same Redoubt, after the same was possessed by the Enemy and in Jumping over the Rampart of the Redoubt he fell with the lower Part of his Back on a Rock, by Means whereof his Back is very much weakened & he is in some Measure rendered unable to obtain his Livelihood by Labor; & that on the Second Day of April last he was forty nine Years of Age; Whereof in pursuance of the Law aforesaid, We do further certify, that upon the Principles of the Act of Congress of the Seventh Day of June 1785, the said Matthew Jansen Jun is entitled to receive from the Treasurer of this State an Annual Pension of Sixty Dollars to commence from the first Day of January in the Year one thousand Seven hundred & seventy eight.

Given under our Hands this twentieth Day of March 1788.

To Peter T. Curtenius Esquire
Auditor of the State of New York

George Clinton
Richd Varick

State of New York }
City of New York } ss

Reuben King of the Township of New Lebanon in the County of Columbia being duly sworn maketh Oath that some time during the late War to wit, in April 1775 he enlisted a private Soldier in Capt. George White's Company in the 2nd New York Regiment Commanded by Col. Goose Van Schaick that some time in August he was drafted under the Command of Col. Ethan Allen and detached to go to Montreal; That on the 25th Day of September 1775 in an Engagement at long Point a few Miles below Montreal he received a Wound in his left Arm (by a Musket Ball) which was afterwards amputated by Reason of which Wound he is rendered incapable of obtaining his Livelihood by Labour; That on the twenty first Day of July last he was twenty eight years of Age and that he now actually resides in New Lebanon aforesaid.

Sworn this twenty fifth Day of September 1786
Before me Richd. Varick, Recorder

Reuben King

State of New York }
City of New York } ss

Joseph Knapp Jun. of the Out Ward of the City of New York Weaver being duly sworn maketh Oath, that during the late War he resided at Horseneck in the County of Fairfield in the State of Connecticut, And that Some Time in the Beginning of January in the Year of our Lord one thousand Seven hundred & eighty, he inlisted as a Private Soldier, for three Months, in a Company of Mungers raised to guard the Lines & Sea Coast; to protect the Country from the Inroads of the Enemy & Commanded by Capt. Isaac Howe of the then Coll. John Meads Regiment of Fairfield County Militia.

That soon after his Inlistment the Deponent with others of the same Company, were, by Orders of Colo. John Mead & by the Adjutant of his Regiment, put under the Command of Capt. Samuel Lockwood, then commanding the Whale Boats in the Sound in the Service of the United States & directed to join Capt. Samuel Keeler's Company of Colo. Matthew Meads Regiment of Connecticut State Troops, then also in the Service of the United States, and to proceed down the in Westchester County in the State of New York, to attack a Party of the Enemy posted there, under the Command of a Colo. Hetfield.

That on or about the ninth or tenth Day of January, the Detachment commanded by Capt. Keeler attacked the Enemy's Post at Westchester afd & captured Coll. Hetfield & some other Officers & some Privates; That upon their Retreat towards Horseneck with the Prisoners they had taken, the Rear of the Detachment commanded by Capt. Keeler was overtaken & attacked by a Party of the Enemy's Horse.

That among others the Deponent was attacked by one of the Enemy's Horsemen & four Fingers of his left Hand were cut off by a Broadsword & he was carried Prisoner to New York where he remained for six Weeks.

That he recd no Pay since the first Day of April 1780. That by Means of his Wound aforesaid he is rendered unable to obtain his Livelihood by his Trade or hard Labour; That on the Seventh Instant he was twenty eight Years of Age And that he now actually resides in the City of New York. afd.

Sworn this thirtieth Day of May 1787 Joseph Knapp
Before me Richd Varick Recorder

State of New York }
City of New York } ss

Simon Peterson of the City of New York, Labourer, being duly sworn maketh Oath, that he was a private Soldier in Cap. Saml Sacket's Company in the 4th New York Regt Commanded by Colonel Weissenfels in the Service of the United States — That he was wounded in his ancle at the Battle of New Town, on the Indian Expedition in 1779, in consequence of which, he was transferred to the Corps of Invalids & on the first day of November 1783, he was discharged by his Excellency General Washington — That he was thirty two years old the 1st Janry last — and is incapable of obtaining his Livelyhood by labor. That he resides in the poor House of this City.

Sworn this Second Day of June 1786 his Simon X Peterson
before me mark
Richd Varick, Recorder.

The Affidavit of John J. Merselles of Constantia Oswego County New York an applicant for a pension under the Act of Congress passed June 7 1832. Made in order to supply the loss of the original declaration of the said Applicant which declaration is stated by J. L. Edwards in his letter to said Applicant under date of June 21, 1834 to be lost.

Oneida County ss:

Personally appeared before me the under named Justice of the Peace; on the 19th day of July 1834 John J. Merselles an applicant for a pension under the act of Congress passed June 7, 1832 to me well known and after being duly sworn deposed and said that he inlisted under Captain Van Ness in the time of the Revolutionary War for three years at Schenectady in

Schenectady County New York the name of the Lieutenant in said Company was Hardenbergh the name of the Ensign Wendell Adjutant Teace (so called) Major McCracken and soon after Vinck was Major in his stead Lieut. Col. Van Dyke and the head Col. Was Van Scaick who was then an elderly man who did not often come to us, that it was after harvest when he enlisted, that he remained in Schenectady on duty untill we were sent up to Rome (now so called) to Fort Stanwix with a drove of cattle with 28 privates under Lieutenant Hardenbergh when we came to Rome Colo Gansevoort who commanded there said that he did not think it safe to go back on saturday towards night there was appearence of Indians and we were there under the orders of Colo. Gansevoort and Sir Johnson made his appearance we schirmished around with him for about 8 days; and in a day or two after Sir Johnson Went off, Van Scaick Regiment under Lieutenant Van Dyke came up to the relief of Colo Gansevoort who soon after marched off with his Regiment (Gansevoorts Regiment and our 28 privates above mentioned fought the Battle with Sir Johnson's men) we remained at Fort Stanwix on duty and under command till the term of my enlistment had expired, and then this deponent staid a few days and drew provisions and subjected himself to orders and duty as tho he was not discharged and on being strongly solicited by his Captain & other Officers who assured him that the War was not going to last a great while longer and offering him an Ensigncy if he would Enlist for and during the War, he yielded to their solicitations and received an Ensign's Commission in the same Company — this deponent remembers while he was in the Fort 36 privates under Ensign Wendell went out to Wood creek to cut sods to repair the Fort all of whom with Colo. Wendell were killd Except two this was in the fall & before my time was up and in the morning before breakfast — that he could mention many circumstances of danger & narrow escape which happened to him and others while there, were it necessary; enough to convince any person who is acquainted with military life and is at all informed in the transactions which transpired at Fort Stanwix while Gansevoort's and Van Dyke's Regiment lay there — that about three months after this deponent enlisted and received an Ensign's Warrant as aforesaid and after the Regiment had gone (a number of us having remained to take care of the stores under Lieutenant Hardenbergh) orders came by an express, for us to march back to Schenectady, as a cessation of hostilities had transpired, we marched back to Schenectady and were marched from that place to Albany under Lieut Hardenbergh, when we came there we drew our pay in what they called "New emission" of Money, soon after that he were discharged.

Sworn & subscribed before me
this 19th July 1834

his
John X Merselles
mark

State of New York }
City of New York } ss

Gideon Warren of Hampton in the County of Washington Farmer being duly sworn maketh Oath that during the late War to wit in the Year 1775 he was a Captain in the Garrison of Ticonderoga then consisting of Militia on duty in the Service of the United States commanded by Captain Thomas Lusk; That while in the Garrison & Service aforesaid to wit on or about the Middle of May 1775 a certain Abial Brown then in the said Garrison being a Tory or a Madman and having got Possession of a Quantity of Arms, he the Deponent in attempting with several others to pacify or disarm him the said Abial Brown received a Wound in his right Wrist by the Stroke of a Cutlass which almost cut off his Hand & has so much injured his Arm that he is incapable of obtaining his Livelihood by Labor; that on the 12th Day of Decr last he was fifty five Years of Age & now actually resides at Hampton aforesd.

Sworn this fourteenth Day of March 1787
Before me Richd. Varick, Recorder.

Gideon Warren

The following is the story about Brown:—

I Ebenezer Kellogg Being of Lawful age Do testify that In May A D 1775 I Was Detaitched from Williamstown to ticonderoga Which place We accdingly took then most of the army Were Detaitched to crown point & St Johns and a fellow fell Behind By the Name of Brown

Blonging to pownal and the Company that he Belonged to Were Detayched and the fellow came into the Same Mess to Which I Belonged and I heard him often to Say that he had No thoughts of taking up arms against the King and he Would talk and Rage almost Like a Mad fellow after he had Benn With us two Days a party Returned from Crown point With some prisners and Several of the party Came Into the Same Room In Which I kep and Set up their guns and all Left the Room But My Self & one more and I Was a going out of the Room Brown Spoke to Me thus With a gun In his Hand there Was a party here and they Intend to kill Me and I Entend to kill one first and Drew up, his gun at Me twice and I Run to Call one of our Sergeants Which had pacefyed him Several times and as We Were agoing to Enter the Room again Brown Insisted that he Would kill as Many as he Could and he had By him fifteen guns all Loaded With hanger and a Cutlas and he gave out Such threats We Steped Back and the Door fell to and he fireed and Shot one partly through the Body By the Name of Cammel at Which the Man Cried he Was killed I instantly took hold of him to Lead him away and Some Body Spoke and Says Brown What Do you Mean to act So Says he I have Killed one and I Entend to kill as Many as I Can and Soon fired agin. and there was one Steped to help Lead Cammel By the Name of Harris and as We Were agoing off Brown Shot out of the Window and Shot Harris through the knee and as Soon as We had got the Wounded Safe the Next Cry Was he had Cut off Capt Warrens hand Who I understood Was Endeavouring to pacafy him Soon after the Cry Capt Warren Now Colol Warren Come In Where I Was and the Blood ran Whole Streams and his wrist appeared to Be Bigest part Cut off and farther Deponanth Saith Not. Ebenr Kellogg

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American Prisoners of War

Previous to the battle of Long Island, Aug. 27, 1776, very few of the Americans had become Prisoners to the Enemy. One thousand were taken after that Battle; and 700 at Fort Washington, when the British came in full possession of the City of New York and its immediate vicinity. The Presbyterian and Dutch Reformed Churches of that City were the first Prisons for the captive Americans. Then other Churches, the Provoost (later the Hall of Records) Columbia College and the sugar houses in Liberty and Duane Streets were used for the same purpose. The accommodations being crowded, transport ships were used in Wallabout Bay, on the Brooklyn shore. The worst of the Prison Ships was the "Jersey". Others were:— the "Scorpion", the "Falmouth", the "Good Hope", the "Chatham" and the "Prince of Wales". While the deaths in the Prisons on shore were frequent, the mortality on the Prison Ships was far worse — as many as 15,000 in the latter case. In 1808, the bones of many of the Prisoners were given public burial in Brooklyn, by the Tammany Society of New York; and, in 1826, a monument was erected to their memory at the Wallabout.

John Beaty, Elias Boudinot, Thomas Franklin, Lewis Pintard and Abraham Skinner were Commissaries of Prisoners; and Thomas Franklin and Garret H. Van Wagenen were Deputy Commissaries. Thomas Linn was director of the Hospital, in Canada. Henry Dodge was Commissary of Prisoners' Pay.

American Prisoners were also kept in New Utrecht, Flatbush (the Bergen Homestead), Gravesend, Flatlands and New Lots — all on Long Island. These Prisoners were taken, for the most part, at Fort Washington, Fort Montgomery and Germantown. Col. Samuel B. Webb, of the Connecticut Line, himself a Prisoner, was active in making exchanges. He corresponded, at great length, with Gen. Washington and the Continental Congress on this subject. Little was done, however, because the British and American authorities could not

agree upon a ratio of exchange. (See Sparks' "Life of Washington"; and the several volumes of "The Public Papers of George Clinton", already published.) Col. John Ely, also of the Connecticut Line, as a Prisoner, ministered to the wants of the Prisoners on Long Island. He was a physician, especially skilled in the treatment of small-pox. His son led a sortie, captured a British officer of equal rank and made all the arrangements for the exchange of Col. Ely. But the latter refused to leave the Prisoners; and he remained with them almost to the end of the War.

Governor Clinton was an active agent in bettering the condition of the Prisoners. He expended as follows:— Dec. 15, 1777, a certain amount to Miss Clopper for three barrels of flour to be delivered to the Prisoners in the General Hospital, in New York City; Nov. 15, 1782, £84 to Captains Ward and Drake for the use of the Prisoners in Canada; Nov. 21, 1782, £3.4. to Capt. Harper for the use of the Prisoners returning from their captivity in Canada; Mar. 26, 1783, £3.14.6 for the same purpose; July, 1783, £175 to Nicholas Covenhoven for money advanced by him to the Prisoners on Long Island; September, 1783, £300 to Colonels Allison and McClaughry, and £2000 to Col. Allison, for the same purpose; Apr. 20, 1784, £30 to Thomas Tillotson for the use of the Prisoners; and, November, 1784, £3.4. to Alexander Harper for the same purpose.

The Governor, Jan. 21, 1783, had raised £25566.17.6 on the credit of the State in this manner:—

Any Person upon Long Island who will advance to Colo. William Allison for the Use of himself and the other Officers of this State Prisoners of War the Sum of Five hundred Pounds in specie shall be repaid as soon as conveniently may be; for which the Faith of the State is hereby pledged — Given under my Hand at Kingston this 20th June 1780

Geo. Clinton.

Received 1 September 1780 of Mr. Rem Cowenhoven the Sum of Three Hundred and Eleaven Pounds in Gold and Silver — in part of the Within draft

Wm. Allison Colo.
N. Y. Militia.

[Indorsed] Recd. April 13th 1785. from Gerard Bancker Treasr. three hundred and eighty two pounds nineteen Shillings in full for the principal and Interest of this Note.
£382 19

Jno. R Cowenhoven
Son and Heir to Rem Cowenhoven

We the Subscribers, received of Coll William Allison the Sum fixed opposite our respective Names for Money Sent in by his Excellency Genl George Clinton for the Use of the Officers taken up the North River at Forts Montgomery and Clinton. New Utright Long Island Novr. 27th. 1777.

Long Island October 23d. 1779.

We the Subscribers do acknowledge to have received of his Excellency George Clinton Esquire Governor of the State of New York the Sums affixed to our several names annexed as witness our hands the day and year above written, recd. by the hands of Col. James Mc. Claughry.

We the Subscribers do hereby Severally acknowledge to have received of his Excellency George Clinton Esqr. by the hands of Colonel William Allison the respective Sums annexed to our names it being Money advanced for our uses while Prisoners on Long Island, and paid to us on or about the following dates Viz Augst 8th and Octr. 30th. 1780.

The Prisoners were paid in Depreciation Notes for the time they were in captivity. In July, 1782, Nicholas Covenhoven paid £798.14.9 for the use of the Officers who were Prisoners on Long Island. Philip Bevier was paid £42.7 for negotiating an exchange of the Prisoners in Canada. Samuel Fraunces was paid £200 "as a gratuity for his kindness in feeding our Prisoners in N. York & for secret services. This was done indiscriminately to the Continental Troops & Militia".

Although the rules for exchanging Prisoners were very strict, yet each side seemed to allow very free access to the other to help its Prisoners. This is seen not only in the sending of money, noted above, but also in the frequent arrival of supplies of flour, clothing &c. Egbert Benson and Col. John Frear sent large quantities of flour into New York City. The paroles, also, were quite liberal:—

I Caleb Laurence an inhabitant of Rye in the County of Westchester in Province of New York and a Capt of Militia in the Province aforesaid do acknowledge myself a Prisoner of War to the King of Great Britain and being permitted to go to the American Lines on parole do pledge my faith and word of honor that I will not do or say anything prejudicial to his Majesty or his subjects and that I will Return and deliver myself up to the commanding officer of his Majesty's out-post, at or near Kings Bridge, or to the Commissary of Prisoners for his Majesty whenever summoned, in witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand & Seal this 27 May 80.

Witness
Thos Devanport

Caleb Laurence

Access to the American Prisoners was made easy and systematic through the Commissary of Prisoners, Lewis Pintard, and his Deputies. His Accounts were kept in a most thorough manner. In one item, alone, Col. Brinton Paine acknowledges the receipt of £81.15.4.

	Lieut Jacob Van Tassell to State of New York	Dr
	To a Short Credit in Settlement of his Accot 17th Septr 1784 of Cash rece'd from Lewis Pintard Comy of Prisoners	£ 8.10.10
	To Cash rece'd of Abraham Skinner Comy of Prisoners & omitted crediting in former Accot	83.17. 9
1786		£92. 8. 7
	Cr.	
Feby 21.	By an Omission of One Ration pr day in setling his former Accot 17th Septr 1784 is 866 Rations at 10d	36. 1. 8
	Due the State of N York	£56. 6.11

New York 21st Febry 1786 I have examin'd the above Account & find the Sum of Fifty Six Pounds Six Shillings & Eleven Pence Currency to be due to the State of New York from Lieut Jacob Van Tassell which Sum he is to pay into the Treasury of this State in certificates dated November 1781 which was the date of the certificate which he received out of the Treasury for his pay.

Gerard Bancker Esqr
Treasurer

Peter T. Curtenius,
State Audr.

For further information as to the splendid services of Lewis Pintard, consult James Grant Wilson's "Memorial History of the City of New York", Vol. IV. p. 293.

Pay Office Philad. 23 Nov. 1784.

Sir; Agreeable to your Request of the 13 Inst. to Mr. Pierce, I have enclosed you the Account of Monies etc advanced to the Officers of your State while in Captivity by the several

Commissaries of Prisoners: the Returns made to this Office does not in many instances Specify the State to which the Officers belong, by which I apprehend you will receive application from Numbers not included in this List, in this Case you will send me the Names of those applicants and the several charges against them shall be forwarded.

Several Officers have made a Settlement with Mr. Pierce, the Books not being posted I cannot inform you who they are excepting a few which are marked in the outer Column of the Return. In Order to avoid Errors it may be necessary to ask the Officer if his Accounts as Prisoner were ever liquidated by the late Auditors of the Army, by Mr. Pierce or Mr. Milligan the Comptroller of the Treasury, as any Settlements made by them must be final.

It is usual in Settling the Accounts of the Continental Officers to charge them with the Monies and supplies Received in Specie and oppose their Rations to those Monies, and the Old Emissions recd. is opposed to their pay from the time of Captivity to the 1 Aug. 80 & if any balance is due from them in O. E. (which is generally the case) it is reduced to Specie at the Rate of 75 for 1 and carried to their Debit in the Specie a/c.

It will be necessary for me to know what Officers you settle with and if time will admit you, should be glad of a duplicate of the Account that I may govern myself by it.

I make no doubt thro the course of your business, that a Communication between your Office and this will be found necessary if so you will please to direct your Letters to Jno. Pierce P. M. Gl. to my Care, this will avoid Postage. Mr. Pierce is now on his Circuit to the Southward, the business of this Office now rests with Sir.

Peter T. Curtenius, Esq. Your very Hble Servt. Joseph Howell Junr
Ass. Comm. Accts

The American Prisoners of War, mentioned in the documents, are the following — all of them from the State of New York, unless otherwise designated:—

Aarhart George
Abarr Peter
Abbot James, Ens. (Conn)
Acker Abraham
Acker Jacob
Allen Ethan, Col.
Allison Richard
Allison William, Col.
Andrews Rich., Lt. (N. C.)
Andrews Wm., Lt. (Mass.)
Angavine Gilbert
Antil Edward, Col.
Archart George
Ashfield John
Ashton Joseph, Serjt.
Bancker Nicolas
Banks Jonathan
Banks Samuel, Ens.
Banter Christian
Banter Henry
Barkem William
Barnum Joshua, Capt.
Barnum, Thomas
Bashford William, Serjt.
Baxter John
Baxter Thomas
Beard Robert
Bellinger Christian
Bellinger Fred., Lt. Col.
Bellinger Philip
Belt J. Sprigg, Capt. (Md.)
Benedict Caleb, Ens.
Benedict Elias
Benedict Elisha
Benedict Felix
Bennett Mat., Capt. (Penn.)
Benninger Isaac
Berwick Robert
Bice James
Bingham John
Birdsall Benjamin, Lt. Col.
Black Isaac
Blakeney Gabriel (Conn)
Bleecker John James
Blewer George, Lt. (Penn)
Bliss Theodore, Capt.
Bluen John, Major
Bogert Gilbert
Bon Joseph
Bost Christian
Bourguin Jean Josef
Bouton Daniel
Bowen Timothy
Bower William, Capt.
Bowne Benjamin, Major
Boyce Thomas, Ensign
Boyd Samuel
Boyer Valentine
Brannon Abraham
Brewer Deliverance
Brewster Henry, Lt.
Brewster Henry, Lt. (Penn)
Brier T.
Brinsmade Zach. (Conn)
Brocket Moses
Brooks John
Brown Annanias
Brown Joseph
Bruce, Robert, Serjt.
Bruyn James, Lt. Col.
Bryson Samuel, Lt. (Penn)
Buckbee Russel
Buice Abraham
Bulkley Ed., Capt. (Conn)
Bunker W.
Burgess Archer
Burlingham Pardon, Capt.
Burst Jacob I.
Buyker Silas
Buyse William
Caien Barrent
Calder Rudaff
Cannan Matthew
Cantine Moses, Serjt.
Carpenter George
Carpenter Nehemiah, Q. M.
Carpenter Rufus
Carpenter Thomas
Carpenter Wright, Lt.
Carter Daniel
Case J., Capt.
Casselman Peter
Chanpenois Thomas
Charlick Henry
Charpanard Simon
Charpanat Simon
Clapp Henry
Clark Charles, Lt. (Penn)
Clark Daniel
Clark John, jr., Lt. (Va.)
Clark Martin
Claughry John, Ens.
Clock Conrad
Collins Tyrans
Comb George, Capt.
Concklin Samuel
Cooper Robert
Covenhoven Edward
Covetins Moses
Cox John Luke
Cox Joseph, Lt (Penn)
Cozens John, Capt. (Penn.)
Craft William
Craig John, Capt (N. J.)
Craig John, Lt. (Penn)
Crane Isaac, Adjt.
Crane John, Adjt.
Crane Joseph, Capt.
Crawford Wm., Lt (Penn.)
Crowley Jeremiah
Croxell Charles, Lt. (Penn)
Cudner John, Lt.
Cudney John, Lt.
Cunningham Henry

Curtis Joel
Davis John
Day Thomas
Dean Joseph
Dearkis John, Serjt.
Delamater Isaac
Deline Benjamin
DeLong John
Denton Isaac
Denton Preston (Conn)
De Utricht (Baron)
Devoe David
Dinus Jacob
Dodge Samuel, Lt.
Donaldson Joseph
Douglass Ephram, Q. M. (Penn)
Drinkwater Wm. (Conn)
Dubois Matthew
Dubois Zachariah, Maj.
Duguid John, Lt. (Penn)
Dunscomb Edward
Dusenberg Richard
Dutcher Abraham
Dygart Sevrinus
Eastwood John
Eckerson Cornelius, Lt.
Eckler Leonard
Ely John, Col. (Conn.)
Everit Abner, Lt. (Penn)
Faling Jacob
Feeks Robert
Feeling Jacob
Feeling John D.
Feeling John I.
Fenno Ephraim, Capt. Lt.
Ferelon Abr., Serjt. Maj.
Ferdon Abr., Serjt. Maj.
Ferguson William, Capt. (Penn)
Ferris Daniel
Field Reuben, Lt (Va)
Finch Elnathan
Finley John, Lt. (Penn)
Finley Samuel, Lt. (Penn)
Fisher Bartholomew
Fisher Elijah
Fisher Sam'l, Capt. (Penn)
Floisar Ethnel
Forbush John
Forbush Nicholas
Forre Adam
Foster Jacob, Lt.
Foster Robert, Ens. (Va.)
Franke Lawrence
Franklin James
Fry John, Brig. Maj.
Furman Alexander, Ens.
Furman John, Lt.
Furro Rudolph
Gardinier Harmanus, Lt.
George William, Lt. (Va)
Gerlach Adam
German David
Gettman Frederick, Capt.
Gifford William B., Capt. (N. J)
Gilchrist Adam, Asst. Com. Gen.
Gilchrist Geo., Capt. (Va.)
Gilchrist Samuel
Gilcrease Samuel
Giles Aquila, Maj. (Penn)
Gill Erasmus, Lt. 4th Lt. Dragoons
Gilleylon William, Lt.
Gillikins James, Director of Ordnance
Gilliland James, Director of Ordnance
Gilliland William, Lt.
Glean Oliver, Dy. Q. M. G.
Gloss David
Godwin Henry, Capt.
Graham Robert
Grant Jesse, Lt. (Conn)
Gray John (Conn)
Gray Richard, Capt.
Gray William (Conn)
Green Amos, Serjt. (Conn)
Green John, Ens. (Penn)
Greenman Jeremiah, Ens. (R. I.)
Hains David
Hall Edward, Lt. (Md)
Halstead Benjamin, Lt.
Hambright Henry, Capt. (Penn.)
Hamman James, Lt. Col.
Harmil Daniel, Maj.
Harning Lienert
Harper Alexander, Capt.
Harris Moses
Harris William
Hartford Ephraim
Hatch William
Hatfield Moses, Maj.
Haviland John, Lt. (N. J)
Hawkins Stephen
Hawkins Z.
Hegens Ebenezer
Heggens Ebenezer
Helker John
Hellegas Peter
Hellmer John
Hendry Robert
Henry Hugh
Herter Lawrence
Hetfield Moses, Maj.
Hews James
Higby John
Higby Lewis
Hillegas Peter
Hiller John
Hobby David
Hobby Jonathan
Hogeboom Peter
Hogel Peter
Holland Shelly
Hollister Josiah
Holmer David
Holms Nathaniel
Honeywell Israel, Capt.
Hoogland Jeronimus, Adjt.
Hopkins Elisha, Adjt. (Conn)
Horton Thomas, Capt.
Horton Thomas
House George
House Jacob
House Nicholas
Huchens Absolom
Huchings Absolom
Humphrey George
Humphrey James, Capt.
Humphrey William
Humphreys Wm., Serjt.
Humphry James
Humphry William, Serjt.
Hunt Philip
Hunter John, Lt.
Hunter John
Hyle James
Hynard Michael
Irvin James
Irvine James, Brig. Gen. (Penn)
Israel John
Itig Christian, Serjt.
Jackson Patten, Lt.
Jacobs Abraham
Jamison Daniel, Lt. (Penn)
Jenney Thos., Lt. (Penn.)
Johnson Jno., Adjt. (Penn.)
Johnson John
Jones James, Lt.
Jump William
Keeler Isaac, Lt.
Keeler Isaac, Ens.
Keeler Isaiah
Kelly John
Kelsey Ebenezer
Kennedy Thomas
Kerby Stephen
Kip Garret, Lt.
Klock Jacob Conrad, Lt.
Knap Joel
Knapp Joseph, Jr.
Knox Abraham
Kring John
Kronkhite James, Capt.
Kronkright John, Capt.
Lamb William
Lamareaux John
Lamberdson Lambert
Lambert Jonathan
Lang Robert, Q. M. Serjt.
Langler James
Lattimore Francis
Lavish John, Ens. (Md)
Laucks George
Laurence Caleb, Capt.
Lawrence Nathaniel, Lt. (N. C.)
Lawler Conrad
Lawler John
Lay Asa, Lt. (Conn.)
Lay Lee, Capt. (Conn.)
Leggett Abraham, Ens.
Lent Isaac
Lewis John, Serjt.
Lewis Samuel (Conn.)
Lingau James McCubbin, Lt. (Va.)
Livingston William S., Lt. Col. Cont'l Army
Lobdell Joseph
Logan Samuel, Maj. Cont'l Army
Lonas John
Loucks Peter
Lucas William Budd
Luke James
Lumis Adam
Lush Stephen, Maj.
Lyman Geo., Capt. (Conn)
Lyon Gilbert, Capt.
Lyon John
Lyon Samuel
McArthur Alexander, Lt.
McChain John
McClaghry James, Lt. Col.
McClaghry James, Capt.
McClaughry John, Ens.
McClellen William
McClue William
McDonald John, Capt. (Penn)
McMullen John
Malloy Thomas
Marbury Luke, Col. (Md.)
Marlin Daniel, Capt.
Marrener William
Martin Daniel, Capt.
Martin John
Martin Joseph, Lt. (Penn)

Martin William, Lt.
Martling Daniel, Capt.
Martling David
Marvin Ephraim, Adjt.
Matthews Geo., Col. (Va.)
Mayer Jacob, jr.
Maynard Elija B.
Mayo Jonathan (Conn)
Meales Matthew
Menbeth James
Mercer John, Lt. (N. J.)
Miller Samuel
Mitchel James
Monross Jesse
Moore Joseph
Moore Roger (Conn)
Morfit Henry, Lt. (Penn)
Morrell Abraham
Morrison Thomas
Moseman Marcus, Capt.
Mosher John
Moss Simeon
Mott Ebenezer, Lt.
Mullin William
Munro Joseph
Munson Levi (Conn.)
Murfits Henry, Lt. (Penn)
Murray Peter
Musk Ebenezer
Muxum Adonijah (Conn.)
Myer Henry, Ens.
Neelson Eli
Nelles George
Newcomb James
Newman Joseph
Nichols Guisham
Niles Sands, Ens. (Conn)
Noble Peter (Conn.)
Northrup Abijah
Oakley Isaac
Oakley John
Oakly John, Ens.
Oline Benjamin, Lt.
Oliver Thomas
Olman John
Orendorff Christian, Lt. (Md)
Organ Cornelius
Orsor Jonas, Capt.
Osmand Benajah, Lt. (N. J)
Oustrander Henry
Owen Joseph, jr.
Pain Brinton, Maj.
Pain Joseph
Palmetier Isaac
Parmerton Abijah
Parsons Abr., Lt. (N. J.)
Patchen Freegift
Patchin Isaac
Patchin Jabez
Patchin Samuel
Paulding John, jr.
Paulding William
Pawling Henry, Lt.
Peifer Joh.
Pellanger B.
Pellinger Frederick
Pendleton Nathaniel, Lt. (Va.)
Pendleton Solomon, Lt.
Pennear William
Penoyer William
Peterson John
Petry Jacob, Ens.
Pettie Abel
Pickard Bartholomew
Piper Andrew
Polk John
Poor David, Lt. (Mass.)
Porter Jonathan, Lt.
Potten James
Poultson John, Capt. (Va.)
Pownal Thomas, Lt.
Poyton James
Preston Wm., Lt. (Penn.)
Purdy Solomon, jr., serjt.
Putnam David
Putnam David, Corp.
Quick John
Ramsay Nathaniel, Lt. Col. (Md.)
Rankins James, Jr.
Raqua Isaac, Adjt.
Raqua Isaac, Lt.
Raymond Sands, Serjt.
Read Thomas, Ens.
Reder T.
Reed Thos., Ens. (Penn.)
Renex Andrew
Requa Isaac, Adjt.
Requa Isaac, Lt.
Requaw Daniel
Requaw Gabriel, Capt.
Requaw Isaac, Adjt.
Requaw James, Jr.
Resequie John
Retong William
Revenshon John Peter
Revere Cornelius
Reverston John Peter
Reynold William
Reynolds Nathaniel, Lt.
Rickard Jacob
Rigel Frederick
Riggs Daniel
Riley John, Lt. (Conn.)
Riverson John Peter
Robertson John, or Wm., Adjt. (Va.)
Rogers William, Lt. (Va.)
Roosa Cornelius
Roose James
Rose James
Rouse Thomas, Ens. (Md.)
Ruamay John
Rumsey Asa, Fifer
Rumsey David
Rumsnider Henry
Rundell Richard
Runnels William
Rutherford Samuel, Ens. (Penn.)
Sackett Richard, Capt.
Sackett Thomas H., Lt. (Md.)
Sammons Fred'k, Serjt.
Sample Robert, Capt. (Penn.)
Savage Joseph
Shefer Adam
Schomaker John
Schomaker Thomas
Schoonmaker Henry
Schot Joseph
Schulds Hendrick
Schulds Johannis
Schulds William
Schumaker John
Schuyler David
Schuyler Jacob
Schuyler Nicholas
Scott Joseph
Scott William
Sears Elnathan, Corp.
See David
See James
Seeley Isaac, Capt. (Penn.)
Sharender Richard
Sharp Peter
Sharp Thomas
Sherer James
Sheridan Richard
Sherman Peter
Sherwood Job
Sherwood Newcom
Sherwood Seth, Capt.
Sherwood Stephen, Ens.
Shew Godfrey
Shew Jacob
Shew John
Shew Stephen
Shireman George, Corp.
Sifer Jacob
Siffer John, Sr.
Siffer John
Sitz Peter, Ens.
Skiget Richard, Serjt.
Slott Cornelius, Serjt.
Slutt William
Smith Isaac
Smith James, Lt. (Penn.)
Smith Johannes
Smith John, Qr. Mr. Serjt.
Smith John, Lt.
Smith Josiah, Lt. (Conn.)
Smith Richard
Snead Charles, Lt. (Va.)
Snead Smith, Capt. (Va.)
Sniffen James
Sniffen Reuben
Spanknebel John
Sparks Pearl
Staring George
Staring Henrich
Staring Henry
Staring Jacob
Stark Nathan
Starring Jacob
Stayner Roger, Capt. (Penn.)
Stenson William
Steward Stephen
Steymets Casper
Sticklen John
Stinson William
Storm Abraham
Stotesbury John. Capt. (Penn.)
Stuart Charles (Conn.)
Swartwout Cornelius, Capt. Lt.
Swartwout Henry, Ens.
Swope Michael, Col. (Penn.)
Tanner Jacob, Serjt.
Taylor Elijah
Taylor Henry
Taylor Samuel
Teller James, Capt.
Terbush Isaac
Terwilliger Harmanus, Serjt.
Thomas Edward, Adjt.
Thomas Thomas, Col.
Thompson Andrew, Ens.
Thompson James
Thwait Thos., Capt. (Va.)
Tice John
Tillard Edwd., Maj. (Md.)
Tomkins Jeremiah
Torry David
Townsend Samuel
Utricht (Baron de) Lewis Augustus, Capt.
Valentine Stephen

Van Brunt Leonard, Dy. Qr. Mr. Gen.
Van Buren Leonard
Van dercok Benjamin
Van Dyke Abraham, Capt.
Van Eps Evert
Van Nosdall John, Corp.
Van Osterand William
Van Slyke Garret
Van Slyke Jacobus
Van Tassel Abraham
Van Tassel Cornelius, Lt.
Van Tassel John
Van Tessel David
Van Tessel Isaac, Serjt.
Van Tessel Jacob, Lt.
Van Tessel Peter
Van Wagenen G., Surg.
Van Wagenen Garret H., Lt.
Vermelya Jacob M.
Virgil Abijah
Vols Conrad
Vorhas Samuel
Vroman Ephraim, Lt.
Vrooman Walter, Capt.
Walker Robt. Lt. (Mass.)
Wardell Eliakim
Warman Thos., Lt. (Va.)
Watrous Edward A.
Webb Sysumet
Weeks James
Wells Levi, Col. (Conn.)
Wells Michael, Serjt.
Wentworth James, Lt. (Penn.)
Wescot Annanias
West Ebenezer, Adjt. (Conn.)
White Epenetus
Whiting Samuel, Lt.
Whitney James
Williams Daniel, Capt.
Williams Gilbert
Willis John, Capt. (Va.)
Willson Andrew
Wilson Andrew
Wilson Isaac
Winne Kelian
Winter Thomas
Witherall William
Woleben Nicholas
Wood Enoch
Wood James
Wood John, Capt
Woodson Robert, Lt. (Va.)
Wool Ellis
Wool Robert
Woolver John
Worden George
Worden Voluntine
Wright William, Lt.
Young Joseph
Youngs Joseph
Zaling John
Zeely John, Lt.
Zimmer Peter

Hospitals

The documents throw little light on the number and location of the Hospitals, or on the manner in which they were conducted. Rev. Chauncey Graham, President of the Academy at Fishkill, was given £40 to remove from his building which was used as a Hospital during the War. Late in 1776, the Medicines were inspected by Dr. John Williams, a member of the Convention. Among the Invoice of Medicines shipped on board the Sloop "Liberty" on account and risk of the Honorable Provincial Congress were these items, in large quantities:—

Salt. Nitri; Tarta Emetic; Gum Opium; Rad. Jallap; Rad. Rhei; Sal. Cathart Glaub; Cantharid; Sacchar Saturn; Sal. Ammon. Crud; Bals. Capari; Cort. Aurant; Gum. Guaiac; Camomil Flor; Fol. Sennae Alex; Rad. Gentian; Rad. Liquorish; Rad. Specacoana; Flor. Sulphur; Magnesia Alb.; Cort. Connell Alb; Aloes, Succot; Gum Myrrhee; Lytharg.

The following were charged to the "Hospital Department", among the Claims of this State against the United States:—

1086 gall.	Molasses	£108:12:0
6 1/2 C.	Barley	4: 4:0
2 B.	Vinegar	2: 0:0
	Wine	52: 2:0
	Surgeon's Instruments	6: 0:0
	Medicines	2026: 9:1
100	Cotts	120: 0:0

The names of the following Officers of Hospitals appear in the documents:— John Delamater, Director; Henry Muir, Hendrick Oblenis and Dirck Van Ingen, Surgeons; Malachi Treat, Physician; John Coventry, Jacob Gardenear, Nathaniel Gardner, Stephen Graham, William P. Smith and Samuel Woodruff, Mates; Dinah Brown and Elizabeth Sickles, Matrons; James Lamb, Steward; Leake Hunt, Commissary and Store-Keeper.

The names of these Physicians appear:—

Adam Frank
Adams William
Barnum Samuel
Belding Samuel
Bond John
Chapin Benjamin
Clarke James
Conkling

Crane Joseph	Howland Jeremiah	Osborn	Sturd
Fangere Lewis	Huggeford	Outwater	Van Buren Beekman
Graham Chauncey	Kemmeny Engelbart	Patterson John	Van Buren James N.
Gregory Elnathan	Kiersted Rulef	Potts	Van Buren John H.
Griffith	Lawrence William	Prosser	Walker
Halsey Silas jr.	Leren	Spangler John George	Williams John
Hambleton John	Lorway, J.	Speaight	Wright John G.
Havens Jonathan	Morgan	Stringer Samuel	Young John

THE INDIANS

The documents relating to the Indians are few in number. The Committee of Albany County, May 22, 1775, paid £56.17 for the expenses of a Committee sent to the German Flats to attend the Oneida Congress, and for provisions furnished to the Indians. A bill of Matthew Visscher against the Committee of Albany County, dated May 30, 1775, makes numerous charges for copying speeches of, and to, the Oneidas, Mohawks and Stockbridges. The same Committee paid this bill:—

1775		
June 23.	To John Ten Broeck for necessary	£3. 8. 0
	" Jacob Ten Eyck for do	4. 7. 6
	" Charges attending the Treaty at the German Flats with the Oneidas	58. 5. 0
	" Jacob Cuyler for necessarys to the Oneidas	13.14.10 1/2
	" Dr. Budd advanced for Provisions to the Oneidas and Mohawks by order of the Committee	6.13. 6
	" Cash furnished Mr. Kirkland the Oneida Missioner	15. 0. 0
	" John Ja Beeckman for Cash advanced to Indian preacher by order of the Committee	7. 0. 0

A Treaty was also made with the Indians of Ulster County:—

Kingston the 12 Novemb'r 1776

The State of New York Dr. To the Justices of Ulster County & Committee of Kingston To the following articles for the Treaty Held this Day with the Esopus Indians

6 Gall Rum	@ 12/	£3.12.8
434 lb Beef	3d.	5. 8.6
£6.19.0 to Matthew Ten Eyck for flour Mutton Turneps and Potatoes		6.19.0
2 Barrells beer	@ 16/	1.12.0
1 Barrell Strong Beer	20/	1. 0.0
8 1/4 yds. Strowds	17/	7. 0.3
17/— In Bread		0.17.0
1 Load of Wood		0. 4.0
8 0/8 paid to Jacobus an horse and Indien for Going to the Indien Settlements at Coletyne and Alheepeens for his Time and Expenses		4. 0.8
6 yds. Broad Cloth	@ 24/	7. 4.0
Errors Excepted		£37.17.5

[Audited June 10, 1777; and paid June 11, 1777] D. Wynkoop junr.

The Committee of Ulster County, July 2, 1777, ordered that Johannis Osterhout, jr., be paid £13.2.0 for going to the Indian towns. This bill included a payment made to Nicholas, the Indian, for a like service. On Mar. 25, 1777, Col. Jacob Hoornbeek paid £1 to an Indian with information against the Tories. A charge was made for "a pint of Rum for the Indian."

By the law of Oct. 23, 1779, Governor Clinton, Anthony Van Schaick, Levi Pawling, Peter Schuyler and Col. Jacob Klock were named as a Board of Commissioners to treat with the Indians. This is one of the bills:—

1780 The State of New York to Hugh Diniston Dr.
Feby 14th To Liquor and other Necessaries furnished for the Interview between his Excellency Governor Clinton and the Chiefs and other Indians of the Oneida Nation £281.12.0
Received the above Contents of govern'r Clinton
Hugh Diniston

Among the claims sworn to before Judge Robert Yates, Mar. 4, 1782, was "An account of damages in real & personal Estate, burnt & otherwise destroyed, sustained by the Oneidas & Tuscaroras, the Allies of the Confederated States, now residing in the State of New York, by the Incursions of the Britons & the Savages their Allies". To this account, signed by many members of the two Nations, James Dean, the interpreter, added:—"they severally are baptized and profess the Christian Religion". The name of the Rev. Samuel Kirkland, Missionary, also appeared. These friendly Indians were allowed $300 for blankets by a law of Apr. 14, 1782; and a law, passed Mar. 25, 1783, committed the State to fair treatment as to their lands.

Numerous Indians served in the American Army; but there is no record, in these documents, of their being in separate organizations. Governor Clinton, in 1785, sent in a bill against the State containing this item:—"To cloathing & necessaries for the families of John Wounkounguta & Segigoteyonta Slain in the late War as pr Rect. . . . . £20.—.—."

Further information, as to the Indians, will be found in "Pathfinders of the Revolution", by William Elliot Griffis, published in 1901; in the "Public Papers of George Clinton", Vol. IV.; and in "The Old New York Frontier", by Francis Whiting Halsey, published in 1901.

FORTIFICATIONS

Very little information in regard to the Fortifications in the vicinity of New York City is given in the documents; probably because the Americans had possession but little more than a year. There are bills, January, 1776, "for serving Tea Water to the City Guard at the Battery"; and, March, 1776, for work at "ye Fort at ye Shipyard". In the latter month, Fortifications were erecting at the "Coffee House Bridge". There is a bill of £16.16.2 due to Maj. Adrian Wynkoop for superintending the works at Great Shandakin, (up the River) by order of Governor Clinton, from May 12, to June 1, 1779.

The Committee of Safety, in 1775 and 1776, delivered barrack furniture to the amount of $2414.72/90 for the use of the United States. Three Accounts of the State against the United States follow:—

Camp Equipage		Camp Kettles	£1171.17. 4 1/2
	4928	Canteens	459. 3. 0
	396 ps	Ravensduck	2010.10. 4 1/2
	114	Tents	811.13. 9
	25002 1/4 yds	Scotchs Osnaburgs	2246.11. 3 3/4
	377 1/4	Russia Drilling	541. 4. 4
	46 ps	Sail Duck	199. 4. 4
	87	Drums	302. 5. 0
	947 1/2 lb	White Rope	50. 0. 8
	800	Bill hooks	200. 0. 0
			£8192. 7. 4
Barracks	680	Benches	£118.10. 0
	393	Tables	130. 3. 0
	85 1/4c	Wood	118.11. 9
	261	Cotts.	92.11. 0
		Lanterns	4.10. 0
	249 1/3 lb	Candles	48. 5. 7 1/2
	65	Candle Sticks	3. 5. 0
	168	Spoons	22.19. 8
	650	B. Straw	10.19. 2
		Boards	47.10. 1
		Different Articles	2653. 7. 8
			£3250.12.11 1/2
Artificers and Intrenching Tools	805	Shovels	£254.16. 7 1/2
	1472	Spades	593. 9. 6
	1216	Pick axes	436. 3. 6
	196	Crowbars	138. 6. 4
	1113	Wood axes	384. 0. 0
	112	Broad axes	27. 0.11 1/2
	50	Hoes	8.15. 0
	22	Hammers	8.13. 0
	79	Mill Saws	129.16. 6
	12	Trowels	2. 1. 8
		Tools	1974.13.10
		Timber	377.13. 7 1/2
	7 1/2	B. faggot Sted	26.14. 3 1/2
	42 Cr 192 lb	Refined Iron	63. 5. 7 1/2
	43	Casks, 12867 lbs Nails	532. 6. 1 1/2
			£4957.16. 7

Just at the close of the War, an effort was made made to preserve Fort George, the historic Fortification at the North:—

This Indenture made the twenty-sixth day of July in the Year of our Lord one Thousand Seven hundred and Eighty-three between Philip Schuyler of the County, of Albany, Esq.,

Surveyor General of the State of New York on the one part and Jonathan Pitcher, Isaac Doty, Wyatt Chamberlain and Gurdon Chamberlain, at present of Fort George in the County of Charlotte and State aforesaid, Yeomen of the other part:—

Witnesseth that he, the said Phillip Schuyler as Surveyor General of the said State, for the Consideration and on the Conditions herein mentioned hath Granted and to farm lett unto the parties of the Second part all that Tract of Land commonly called Fort George, with the Lands adjacent formerly occupied by the British Garrison, to have and to hold the said Tract of Land untill the first day of May next, or untill the pleasure of the Government of this State shall be signified, paying therefor at the rate of one pound per annum. And the parties of the second part do Jointly and severally Covenant and agree that they, the said parties of the second part, will not suffer any other person or persons whatsoever to occupy the said Lands or any part thereof and will well and truly deliver the possession thereof to the Surveyor General of the State of New York for the time being, or unto such other person or persons as the Legislature of the said State shall Direct, and that in the meantime they will not suffer any Bricks, Timber or Stones to be removed therefrom, or the Buildings or Fortifications to be taken down or injured. In witness whereof the parties of these presents have Interchangeably set their hands and Seals the day and Year above written.

Sealed and Delivered in Presence of us
Steph Van Rensselaer
Ben Shelburne

Ph. Schuyler
Isaac Doty
Wyatt Chamberlain

The Secret Committee — The Chains across the Hudson River.

The most interesting details in regard to Fortifications relate to the Forts in the Highlands, and the two Chains that were thrown across the Hudson River in that locality. All of these works were in charge of the earlier members of the Secret Committee, William Bedlow, John Berrien and John Hanson. They were also called "Commissioners for erecting Fortifications on the banks of Hudsons River in the Highlands". (See "Ships" for the work of the other members of this Committee). The Committee of Safety, Sept. 6, 1775, voted £250. to William Bedlow; and the Council of Safety, May 25, 1777, voted £2000. to him for obstructions near Pollepets Island. The Provincial Congress, Aug. 30, 1775, appointed John Hanson a Commissioner, and appropriated £100. for the work. The Congress gave to John Berrien, "Commissary of the Commissioners":— £500, on Oct 13, 1775; £200, on Oct. 20, 1775; £1200, on Nov. 2, 1775; and £500, on Mar. 4, 1776. In the latter year, Mr. Berrien conferred with Gen. Washington, at Harlem, as to the work of the Committee; and the documents show that the building of the "Forts of West Point and Montgomery" was going on in June. The account of P. V. B. Livingston, Treasurer of the Provincial Congress, or Convention, shows that on Nov. 9, 1776 a balance of £7.17.4 3/4 was paid to Messrs Livingston and Palmer on their account for building Fort Montgomery.

In the final Accounts of the State of New York against the United States appear the following charges for Money expended by the State:—

1776 April	30 Berrien & Bedlow fortifying the Highlands	£6595.14. 8
1777 April	23 Obstructing the Channel & fortif fort Montgomery	535.12. 2
June	18 Obstructing the Channel	58. 0. 3
July	11 Obstructing the Channel	185. 5. 6

The practical man in charge of the Chains was Capt. Thomas Machin. He had been called to Boston early in the War. Here are several items from his Account:—

1777			
April	4	To making a model for obstructing the Channel of Boston	4.10.11
	12	Expences Getting Timber from Cambridge	1. 4. 6
	16	Surveying Govr Island with a Party of men	2. 7. 0
	17 & 18	Exploring the Harbour of Boston	4.12. 8
June	1	Expences Travelling from Boston to New York with my Instruments	15.12. 7 1/2
August	7 & 8	Exploring in the Highlands.....	2. 7. 8

Thus he was able to take hold of the work of the Chains early in 1777. The accounts of Capt. Thomas Machin show these items, among many others, some of which were for chasing Tories between times:—

1777			
Feb.	1	Expences to the Iron works.....	2. 8. 0
	20	Taking up Timber with 20 men.....	3. 6. 0
March	7 & 8	Taking the great Chain Logs down to Fort Montgomery with 40 men 4 days	8.12. 0
October	8	Getting down the Booms to Fort Montgomery with 60 men.....	6. 1. 8
1778			
Jany	1	Exploring Hudson River with 7 men 6 days	6.10. 0
	16	Expences on the Road to Chester to agree for the new chain 3 days.	3.12. 6
	20	Expences Getting Timber for the Chain 4 days	4. 0. 0
March	5	Getting the Logs to use for the Chain at New Paltz	3.10. 0
April	12	Getting down the Chain Logs with 40 men 4 days.....	6. 0. 0
	16	Taking down the Chain	16. 0
	26	Expences to Sterling	1.10. 6
	30	While getting the new Chain across	4. 0

In June, July and August, 1778, Capt. Machin made several visits to Sterling, Ringwood, Mount Hope, Burnt Meadow Pond Forge, Charlotte Forge, Beloel (?) Forge and Hebimey (?) Forge. He also furnished patterns. In the bill, given above, he styles himself "Engineer and Superintendent of the works For Obstructing the Navigation of Hudsons River under the Direction of Bd Genl George Clinton and by Order of Maj. Gen. Putnam".

Several links of the Chains may be seen in the State Library.

MILITARY ROADS

In Convention of the Representatives of the State of New York Octr. 5th 1776.

Resolved that the Post Road from the North side of the highlands to Kings bridge is very much out of repair, particularly that part of it which leads thro' the highlands to the Manor of Philipseburgh; and that the said Road affords the most short & convenient Communication by Land between the Northern & Southern parts of this State on the east side of Hudson's River.

Resolved that the said Road ought immediately to be repaired and therefore

Resolved that Colo. John Field be appointed and directed to repair such part thereof as lies between Isaac Van Wyck's on the North side of the highlands aforesaid & the South line of Dutchess County

Resolved, that Major Joseph Strang be appointed to repair the remainder part of the said Road together with a certain other little Road which leads from the Post Road to Dobbs' Ferry.

Resolved that each of the said Persons so appointed be allowed for their trouble ten shillgs. per day and that they be also allowed their subsistence.

Resolved that the Sum of One hundred Pounds be advanced by the Treasurer of this State to Colo. Field; and the sum of three hundred Pounds to Major Strang to enable them to execute the Trust hereby reposed in them.

Resolved, that the said Colo. Field and Major Strang respectively be and they are hereby authorized to impress Teams & Carts for the purpose aforesaid; And lest a sufficient number of Labourers speedily to repair the said Road should not be obtained

Resolved that General Ten broeck do on the Requisition of the said Colo. Field furnish him with such Detachments of the Militia from time to time of the County of Dutchess as the said Colo. Field may require And that Genl. Morris or in his absence the next Commanding Officer of the Militia in Westchester County do on the Requisition of the sd. Major Strang furnish him with such Detachments of the Militia from time to time as he may require.

Resolved, that the said Detachments while employed in repairing the Road aforesaid be under the direction of the superintendants thereof aforesaid in their respective Counties; and that while actually employed as aforesaid they be allowed at the rate of Ten Dollars per Month & provided with Provisions by the said Superintendants.

Resolved that the said Superintendants keep & render to the Convention regular Accounts of their Expenditures & Proceedings.

In Committee of Safety for the State of New York Octr. 22d 1776.

Resolved that Colo. Dirck Brinckerhoff be & is hereby appointed to superintend the repairing of the Road in the highlands in the place of Colo. John Field, with the same Powers & agreeable to the Resolutions of the 5th inst.

Robt. Benson Secry.

Rec'd. December 13th 1776 from P. V. B. Livingston by the hands of Gerard Bancker One hundred pounds — pursuant to the Annexed Order.
£100.

Dirck Brinckerhoff

In October and November, 1776, Maj. Joseph Strang expended £159.3.11 on the roads. Henry Wisner, Aug. 7, 1777, returned to the Treasurer of the Provincial Congress a balance of £10.3.5 out of the £300. he had received to repair the Roads in Orange County.

MILITARY STORES

Col. John Lasher was Commissioner of Military Stores. Peter T. Curtenius, Anthony Griffiths, Hugh Hughes, John Lasher and Richard Norwood were Commissaries; James Weeks was Assistant Commissary; Richard Norwood, Richard Ten Eyck and Philip Van Rensselaer were Storekeepers; James Gillikins was Director of Ordnance.

During the first part of the War, Military Stores were bought by Peter T. Curtenius, the

Commissary of the Provincial Congress. The Commissary also bought Clothing (See "Clothing"). A summary of his work will be found in the Chapter on "Claims of the State against the United States".

In Committee of Safety for the State of New York Fishkill Jany 16th 1777

Resolved that Captain James Weeks be appointed Assistant Commissary of the Arms, Ammunition and other military Stores belonging to this State at this Place:— that he receive into his Care all the Arms which shall be delivered in store at Forts Montgomerie and Constitution by the disbanded soldiers and that he cause the same to be conveyed to this Place (for the use of such of the new Levies as are unprovided) without delay.

Robt. Benson, Secr'y.

1777 The State of New York to James Weeks ..... Dr.
Jany 8 To Cash pd Transporting Arms from Fort Montgomery to Fishkill & Expenses £4. 8. 0

[This account was audited and paid Sept. 22, 1778.]

When the Americans found that they must evacuate the City of New York, the Convention, on Aug. 22 and 25, 1776, voted $60 to Zebediah Mills to remove the Military Stores to Westchester County. Mills did this, Aug. 25, the Stores being taken from the City to Tarrytown by boat; and carted thence, by oxen, to White Plains where they were placed in the store of Daniel Horton. There was also a Military Storehouse at Wallkill, 1776–1778. The very full accounts of Richard Norwood, Provincial Storekeeper "for sundries furnished and cash disbursed" commencing Feb. 19, 1776, show to whom all the Military Stores were delivered. The Committee of Conspiracies, Feb. 15, 1777, paid £1.4.0 to George Adriance for transporting Ammunition to the house of John Carpenter, at Nine Partners; also, on the same date, 6/— to Capt. Swart "for bringing Ammunition up from the River".

In Convention of the Representatives of the State of New York Kingston May the 9th 1777

Resolved that John Lasher Esquire be and he is hereby appointed Commissioner of all & singular the military Stores belonging to this State with the Rank of Colonel in the said State— that he be empowered to empress Teams and Carriages for removing the said Stores in case of Necessity and that he be allowed the Sum of Two hundred Pounds per Annum for his Trouble and Expence in performing the Duty aforesaid.

Resolved that the said Colonel Lasher be and he hereby is directed and empowered to cause the row Gallies in Hudson's River to be repaired immediately; and that he keep an Account of the Expence thereof to be charged to the United States.

Robt. Benson Secr^y.

Col. Lasher was paid £200, per annum, usually by the Council of Safety. In January, 1779, the Governor and Legislature ordered the mercantile firm of Curson and Gouverneur, at St. Eustatius, Island of St. Martins, to receive from John Bryson of that place, 250 barrels of Gunpowder and six chests of Small Arms. As no vessel could be found that was willing to risk the chance of capture, the firm chartered a fast vessel, procured regular clearance papers and sent the Powder and Arms under the Dutch colors. While in a calm, the vessel was boarded by one of the Enemy's Privateers and taken as a prize to the British Island of Anguilla; and all the efforts of the firm to recover the cargo proved futile. (See the Chapter on "Ships").

The following is one of the accounts of New York against the United States for "Arms and Ammunition":

7216	Pouches & 4480 Gun Slings	£4389. 4.9
2965	Hatchets	437. 2.6
	Cannon	2209. 3.7
2494	Guns	8171.19.4 3/4
214849	lb Powder	6204. 4.9
13101	lb Lead	517. 3.1 1/2
2100	Cartridges	233. 8.7 1/2
145	Cartride boxes	37.10.3
204	Spears	67.16.0
17020	Bullets	509. 2.6
52	Ramrods	14.18.0
5908	Prickers & Brushes	151. 7.0
145025	Flints & Oil	223. 6.1
120	Pistols	86. 0.0
16479	lb Brimstone	292. 7.0
200	Gun Screws	26. 0.0
10	Powder horns	20. 0.0
1284	3/4 lb Salt Petre	525.19.4
	Ordnance Stores	446.17.9
		£24563.10.4 3/4

Cannon

The Cannon that were captured by Col. Ethan Allen, at Ticonderoga, were inspected by Gen. Henry Knox, and transported to Boston in the winter of 1775–1776. They were so effectively placed on Dorchester Heights that the Enemy soon evacuated Boston. The number, and weight, of the pieces moved was as follows: Two brass Cohorns, total weight 300 pounds; four brass Cohorns, weight 400 pounds; two brass Mortars, total weight 600 pounds; one iron Mortar, weight 600 pounds; two iron Mortars, total weight 3,600 pounds, and three iron Mortars, the total weight of which was 6,900 pounds. Of Cannon, in brass, there were eight three pounders weighing 28,000 pounds, three six pounders weighing 1,800 pounds, one eighteen pounder, weight 1,200 pounds, one twenty four pounder, weight 1,800 pounds. Of Iron Cannon there were six six pounders, total weight 15,000 pounds; four nine pounders, total weight 10,000 pounds; ten twelve pounders, total weight 28,000 pounds; seven double fortification Cannon, the total weight of which was 28,000 pounds; and three others, the weight of which was 15,000 pounds. Added to these were two iron Howitzers.

The citizens of New York had numerous Cannon which, together with Cannon from the Battery, the Committee of Association of that City proceeded to take, in 1775, as follows:—

May 20,	Samuel Judah	10	large	6 pounders	at £25		£250.
June 1,	Laurence Kortright	4	"	"	at £25	Sent to New Haven	100
"	"	8	4	"	at £20	Sent to New Haven	160
"	"	6	3	"	at £15	Sent to New Haven	90
"	"	2	4	"	at £20	Sent to Fort Constitution	40
	John Byvanck	8	6	"	at £20		160.

26 cannon = £488.6.8. Hamilton Young

May 22 — 19 @ £25 = £475 Theophilus Beekman
Sept 21 12 brass barrel'd blunderbusses — Theophylaet Bache
June 1 Sharp, Curtenius & Co — 6 3 & 4 pounders £96.13.4
May 20 Saml Tudor — 2 3 pounders — £25
June 1 Jacob Van Voorhis 6 " £90

Concerning these Cannon, Henry Remsen, the Commissioner of Accounts, wrote thus to Peter T. Curtenius, the Auditor General, July 10, 1785:— "The Claims for Cannon taken from the Citizens by Order of the City Committee is a matter of Consequence & therefore must be left to the Determination of the Legislature at their next meeting". The Auditor-General afterward made these claims upon the United States:—

For Cannon & Military Stores taken from the Battery, the property of the King of Great Britain & afterwards lost & taken.
For Cannon taken from Individuals by order of the City Committee & removed to Kings Bridge where some of them were left & Retaken by the British.
For expenses of guarding & removing the Cannon.
[The total of the claims was £4560, for 216 pairs of Cannon.]

In 1775, the State of New York loaned to the United States six brass Field-Pieces which were delivered to Captains Hamilton and Bauman. They were afterward restored, but not without much correspondence on the part of Governor Clinton. General Washington wrote thus, to Governor Clinton, from Headquarters Smiths Clove, June 13, 1779:— "I shall give immediate Directions for returning within the State the Six Brass Six Pounders lent the Continent, or others equally good". In 1775, 66 Guns, worth £1355, were delivered in New Haven. On Aug. 16, 1776, the State of Connecticut was credited with 20 pairs of Cannon and a quantity of Shot delivered for the Continental Frigates that were built at Poughkeepsie and at the Forts in the Highlands. Later on, 12 Cannon were sent to Canada by order of the Convention; and, in March 1776, several brass Field Pieces were sent to Virginia.

The Committee of Safety, Jan. 24, 1776, having already authorized Colonel McDougall to have Carriages made for Cannon, appointed Capt William Mercier to superintend the work and to see that the Carriages were made of good timber and that the iron work was well made. The Committee, May 19, 1776, voted £300 to Capt. Mercier for this work; and the accounts show that he expended about £1000, in all. On the next day, the Committee voted £100 to Moses Ogden for Cannon Ball and Grape Shot, on the contract of Joseph Hallett.

The manufacture of Cannon was not a financial success. In August, 1777, William Orr was paid £48. 17. 6 for making a six-pounder, at Little Nine Partners; and, in September of the same year, £27.1.0, for a four-pounder. Other makers were also expensive. The Auditor-General made this statement:—

Solomon Simson's Claim £2250. He has no right to demand compensation from the State for anything in his claim but for the Cannon, & that not at the price he has charged them nor for more than what is mentioned in Mr. Goforth's List; which instead of 5 pr of 6 & 9 pounders appear to be only 3 pr. of 4 & 6 Pounders worth about £130. The rest he must apply to Congress for.

Muskets

Muskets were among the Military Stores that, at first, were furnished by Peter T. Curtenius, the Commissary of the Provincial Congress. Later, they were collected by John Henry, the State Clothier, and forwarded to Col. John Lasher, Commissary, who thereafter had full charge of them. (See the Chapter on "Claims of the State against the United States", for Mr. Curtenius' part of the work). The Muskets were taken from Tories and Disaffected Persons; and, also, from the "Well-Affected" who could not use them.

The following comments of Mr. Curtenius, Commissary, show the way in which Muskets were taken and distributed:—

The Muskets of the Corporation [New York City] were taken out of the Armoury by a Number of Citizens under the Command of Capt Sears (shortly after the News arrived of the Lexington Battle) and carried into Capt Vandykes Fire Ally after which a Committee was appointed to deliver them into the hands of such Citizens as were well-affected to the freedom of America. In the month of June or July following the Provincial Congress passed a Resolve to Raise 4 Redgiments of Continl Troops and the troops being in want of Muskets the P. Congress published a Resolve that all Citizens possessed of Corporation muskets should deliver them to the proper officer at the Barraks which was done & Colol McDougalls Regimt had 434 of them & the remainder went up to New Windsor for Colol Clintons Redgiment as appears by Wm Tapps affidavit The Corporation applied last Winter to the Legislature of our State for payment In consequence of which the Legislature passed a Law to pay for them provided the United States should pass the amo^{t} of them to the Credit of the State of New York.

At about the same date, 500 other Muskets were taken out of New York, by the Committee of the City and County, and sent to Gen. Schuyler, at the North. In the Campaign of 1775, 16 Guns were bought for the Continental Troops, and delivered to Capt. Henry B. Livingston. The price, for each, ranged from £1. to £7. On Sept. 14, 1776 Capt. Livingston loaned 69 "Fire-Locks" to the State of Connecticut. In May, of that year, and again in October, many Guns were taken from the inhabitants, by the Committee of Suffolk County, and delivered to Col. Livingston. (See "Suffolk County Committee"). On Dec. 9, 1776, 73 Muskets, many Bayonets and some Powder were brought from the Eastern end of Long Island, by Col Livingston, and delivered to Capt. Nathaniel Platt. Nearly all of the Muskets from Long Island belonged to the Refugees from that Island. (See the Refugees from Long Island to Connecticut, in "Provincial Congresses").

A number of interesting events, relative to Small Arms, took place in 1776:— Jan. 12, Cornelius Atherton made two written contracts, with bonds of £700 each, for the furnishing of £700 worth of Muskets, with Bayonets, for which he was to be allowed £3.14. each; Feb. 2, the Committee of Safety ordered the payment of £100 to Jecamiah Allen for Muskets; Mar. 10, and July 6, the Committee on Conspiracies took many Arms from the Tories and Disaffected in New York City; in April, Capt. Thaddeus Noble made a contract for 30 Muskets, at $8 each; June 4, Lieut. Joseph Youngs charged £3.11.6 for 11 days' expenses in collecting 106 Arms from the Tories in Westchester County; in the same month, the brigantine "Grant" brought 263 Guns from Marseilles to the West Indies; July 19, William Duer authorized Peter T. Curtenius to buy 600 or 700 French Muskets, at $11 each; July 9, the Dutchess

County Committee paid 10/ — for the "carriage of 14 Guns to Col. Humphrey", and 12/ — for "Fetching 20 Guns from John Carpenter to Waters, the Gunsmith"; Aug. 3, the same Committee paid Waters £14. 15. 11 for repairing Guns; Richard Ten Eyck was paid 6/ — per day for directing the repair of Small Arms; David Howell sent in a bill of £48. 1.2 for repairing Arms, which the Auditor-General described as "moderately charged", but Howell was not paid till June 4, 1792. The Auditor-General made this statement, relative to another claim:—"Dan[l] Delavan's Claim £140 for payment of Arms. By his own acct of the matter they were deposited in the Contin'l Store at Kings Ferry, therefore the U. S. must pay him".

In 1776 and 1777, the Committee of Rumbout Precinct, in Dutchess County, delivered 431 Guns to the State. The Guns were afterward delivered to Colonels Harper, Willett, Van Cortlandt, and others. In March, 1777, these items were paid:— Jacob Hunt, £6.10.0 for conveying Arms to Peekskill, Samuel Niely, £1.4.0, for repairing Arms; Robert Merrit, £1.7.0, for making Arm-Chests; William Jeffery, £6, for repairing Arms. William Ellsworth had a charge for cleaning 101 Muskets. The Provincial Congress, June 9, 1777, offered a Bounty of £20 for every 100 Muskets delivered to the County Committees.

Recd of Brig[r] Gen[l] James Clinton Fifty One Guns & barrels, Forty two Gun Ramrods & Ten Gun Stocks, without barrels, which was hid by Peter Cortenis at Hackinsack to prevent their falling into the Enemies hands — and taken up by Capt Daniel Tier, agreeable to Genl Clinton's Orders &c pr me John Varick

Ramapough Clove, 6 July 1777

Expenses paid Daniel Tier A. Qr. Mr. G. for the hire of Waggon, Men's Expences &c in bringing up the within mentioned Guns &c £3.12.0. I certify that I employed Dan[l] Tier to fetch the Guns.

P. T. Curtenius Late Commiss'y
to purchase Armes & Cloathing

1777 State of New York to Dan[l] Tier.....Dr.

July 6 To Expences by me for the hire of Waggon & Men's Expences & bringing up 51 Gun barrels & 52 Ramrods from Hackinsack, where they were buried up to Mr. Sloots in the Clove, as pr Rect of John Varick who recd them from Gen. Clinton..... £3. 12. 0

Dan[l] Tier, being duly sworn, deposeth & saith that the above account is just & True & that he has received no compensation from the State of New York or the United States.

Sworn before me this 11th
Day of Febry 1786.
Bn Blagge, Alderman

Daniel Tier

Lances

The following were members of a "Committee to procure Lances":— Robert Boyd, Thaddeus Crane, William Cushman, Richard Esselstine, Nathaniel Foster, William Miller, Joseph Smith, Stephen Ward, James Weeks, Harmanus Wendell, Henry Wisner and Dirck Wynkoop.

In Convention of the Representatives of the State of New York Septr. 4th 1776.

Whereas many of the Militia of the different Counties in this State who are well Affected to the American Cause are not supplied with Fire Arms. And whereas it is the Duty of the Convention of this State at this Critical period to Arm the whole Militia in Such a Manner as May Prove Most formidable to our inveterate and Tyranical Enemies.

Therefore Resolved unanimously that persons be Appointed in the Counties of West Chester Orange Duchess Ulster & Albany for the purpose of procuring four Thousand Lances to be Made with the utmost Expedition agreable to such Models as shall be sent to the respective Counties.

Resolved unanimously that the following persons be appointed to procure the proportion of Lances affixed to their respective Names in the Counties Under Mentioned and that this Convention will pay all the Necessary Charges for Carrying this Resolve into Execution.— towit

In the County of Albany	
Harmanus Wendell & Richard Esselstine Esqrs.	800
In Ulster County	
Dirck Wynkoop & Robert Boyd Esqrs.	800
In Orange County	
Henry Wisner & Jos. Smith Esqrs.	800
In West Chester County	
Stephen Ward William Miller & Thaddeus Crane	800
In Duchess County	
James Weeks William Cushman & Nathaniel Foster	800
Lances	4000

John McKesson Secry.

Whereas that I the Subscriber being appointed by the Convention of the State of New York and Harmanus Wendell to have 800 Lances maid for the Use of the Militia of said State and whereas we agreed to that Each Should have 400 Lances maid

Whereon I have 400 Lances maid and Delivered to me at the Rate of 8/ pr Speer 400 Dollars — £160: 0: 0

Charges for giting the Lances maid — £9: 0: 0.

Richard Esselstyne.

Powder

Soon after the opening of the War, we find an "Account of Powder lent for Continental Service". The items are:— June 23, 1775, to the Army at Cambridge, 1000 lbs.; June 24, 1775, to Albany for the Companies sent up to remove the Cannon and Stores from Ticonderoga, 300 lbs. On Dec. 19, 1775, the Committee on Vessels reported, as follows, to the Provincial Congress relative to all the Gunpowder it could secure:—

In Provincial Congress for the Colony of New York December 19th 1775.

The Committee appointed to employ two or more Vessels for a Voyage to Europe reported, that they think it necessary to load two Vessels with wheat on Account and resque of this Congress for some port or ports in Europe to wit the Customary freight, That the owners run the resque of the Vessells out, and be allowed three pence Sterling per Bushel Extraordinary for such Risque — That the Common Freight of such Vessels is as follows Vizt.

For any port without the Streights as far as Gibraltar	13d	Sterl. pr Bushel
to Malaga	14d	do
to Allicante	15d	do
to Barcelona	16d	do
to Marselles	17d	do

That the said Committee had agreed to let one of the two Vessels return with the return Cargo to St. Eustatius or Saint Martins for one hundred pounds Currency; and that the said Committee would give directions that the said goods bro't in return as soon as they arrive in

the West Indies, be shipped on board of different Vessels to bring them to the Continent; which the Committee conceive to be the most advantageous method. That the Committee have proposed to direct the whole property Adventured to be invested in Gun powder, and if Gun powder is not to be purchased, to be invested in Salt peter; if neither Salt peter or Gun powder is to be had then to be laid out in Good Musquets and if none of the before mentioned articles are to be got or not sufficient to expend the Value of the Cargoes Adventured, then the property or so much thereof as shall remain unexpended in those Articles to be laid out on Goods of the following Kinds Viz^{t}: Rusia Drilling, Ravens Duck, Osnabungs, Coarse Linnes from 12d to 15d Sterl. pr yard., Sheeting from 10d to 12d Sterl. pr yard, Coarse Thread Hose from 20/ to 25/ Sterl. pr Doz., Coarse tamdem Silesias from 17/ to 20/ pr piece, Villery fit for Soldiers Shirting — or any other Articles they may think will be wanting.

The said report being read a second time and approved of the Congress unanimously agrees that the said report stand confirmed, and that the Committee carry the said Report into Execution. And Resolved that John Vanderbilt Comfort Sands & Jacobus Van Zandt & each & every of them shall be fully indemnified by this Congress, or the Committee of Safety, or the Congress of this Colony for the time being, against any Bonds, which they or either of them will be under the necessity to enter into at the Custom House in New York, for the said Vessels and Cargoes; And that in case any Costs or Damages shall accrue by means of entering into such Bonds that all such Costs and Damages as may arise happen or accrue by means thereof shall be born by this Colony. And Ordered that the Treasurer of this Congress pay to Jacobus Van Zandt Comfort Sands and John Vanderbilt the sum of Five thousand pounds in part to enable them to load the said Vessels.

John McKesson Secr^{y}.

Rec'd. January 12th 1776 from P. V. B. Livingston Esqr. by the hands of Gerard Bancker two thousand five hundred pounds in part of the within.
£2500..

Jacobus Van Zandt

Rec'd. January 1776 from P. V. B. Livingston by the hands of Gerard Bancker two thousand five hundred pounds the Ballance of the within Order.
£2500

Comfort Sands

In Provincial Congress New York March 4th 1776 — Mr. Prince, one of the Members appointed to forward the Continental Powder to Cambridge, informed this Congress that the waggoners here employed in the Continental Service, and going to Cambridge with the Continental Powder said they could not proceed without some money to defray their expenses. That he had advanced to the three waggoners who went off with loaded waggons this morning Twenty pounds on account in part of their pay. That the other three waggoners who are to set off this afternoon expect to receive the like sum in advance in part of their pay.

Therefore ordered that Peter Van Brugh Livingston, Esquire, advance to Mr. Samuel Prince the sum of Forty Pounds on Continental Account in part of the Hire of the waggoners carrying Continental Gunpowder to Cambridge, and that the Treasurer take Mr. Prince's receipt for the same & charge it to Continental Account.
£40.

John McKesson, Secr'y.

Rec'd March 4th 1776 from P. V. B. Livingston by the hands of Gerard Bancker forty pounds in full for the above Order.

Samuel Prince

At another time, Powder was issued as follows:—

To the Troops marching to the Northern Frontier	100
To the Troops raised on Long Island when order'd to the Eastward to defend the Cattle borrowed from Genl Wooster	235
To the Forts in the high Lands	200
June 13th To the Camp at Cambridge	655
455 lb of the last parcel was borrow'd from New Jersey & since repaid in powder	
lbs.	2490

The Powder in the Province was now nearly exhausted, and the situation was becoming desperate. In this emergency, Mar. 14, 1776, the Provincial Congress paid £34.10 for printing 3000 pamphlets, of 40 pages each, containing essays on the making of Salt Petre and Gun Powder. On the same date, the Congress took this action:—

In provincial Congress New York March 14th., 1776.

John R. Livingston Esqr. having given Bond with Securities to Isaac Roosevelt Nathaniel Woodhull Abraham Yates Jun. Esqr. and the other gentlemen named in the Order of this Congress of the ninth instant and contracted to build a Powder Mill within three months agreable to the said Resolution.

THEREFORE ORDERED that Peter Van brugh Livingston Esqr. as Treasurer of this Congress advance to John R. Livingston Esqr. the sum of One thousand pounds and take his receipt for the same. Robt. Benson Secy.

£1000.

In provincial Congress New York Die Veneris May 10th., 1776.

Henry Wisner Junr. Esquire having applied to the Committee of Safety for the Premium for erecting a powder Mill, is entitled to receive the same on giving Security and entring into Contract. Mr. Wisner also informed the Congress that there is a very considerable sum due to him from the Colony, on the resolution of the provincial Congress for manufacturing of Gun-powder — That he intends to have his partner bound with him in the Contract for erecting a Powder Mill — That he requests the sum of One hundred and fifty pounds from the Treasury on his Bond for that Sum in part of either of the Sums above mentioned.

THEREUPON ORDERED that Peter Van Brugh Livingston Esquire as Treasurer of this Congress advance to Henry Wisner Junr. Esquire the Sum of One hundred and fifty Pounds on his Bond payable the first day of July next. John McKesson Secry.

Recd. May 14th., 1776. from P. V. B. Livingston by th hands of Gerard Bancker One hundred and fifty pounds agreeable to the within Order, and for which Sum I have delivered to the Treasurer a Bond Executed by myself and dated the 11th., instant.

£150. Henry Wisner Junr.

On May 11, 1776, Henry Wisner, jr., signed a bond for £150 to the Treasurer of Congress, for which he received cash.

The Congress, in May 1776, voted £200 to [Col] William Allison for the purchase of Salt Petre. From May 21, to Aug. 30 of that year, he expended £76 for 255 pounds; a part of which "was purchased in New York shortly before the evacuation and could not be got out and therefore lost". The Congress, June 1, 1776, voted $500 to Col. Allison for the same material.

Between June 9, 1776 and June 9, 1777, Henry Wisner, jr., and Moses Phillips made 14,737 pounds of Gun Powder, as stated by the Committee of Wallkill Precinct, Ulster County, on June 28, 1777. This Powder was made in consequence of a resolution of the Congress, June 9, 1775. Between the same dates, John Carpenter & Co. made 3,725 pounds in Orange County, according to the statement of the County Committee. The Congress, or Convention, July 12, 1776, voted £100 to John R. Livingston for erecting a Powder Mill; and, July 19, £200 to John Carpenter for like services.

The brigantine "Grant", June 10, 1776, brought 250 barrels of Powder from Sollicoffre Freres & Wilkie, of Marseilles, to the West Indies on its way to this Province. (See also Sloop "Nancy" in the Chapter on "Privateers").

On July 8, 1776, 53 casks of Powder arrived in Providence, R. I. They were forwarded, through Windham, Conn., to Red Hook, in Dutchess County. In August, of that year, all

the Powder in New York City was taken by boats to Albany, Fort Constitution and Stamford, Conn., to escape the invasion of the British. The Powder for Fort Constitution was afterward sent to Gen. Schuyler, at the North. The Committee of Safety, Sept. 14, ordered £200 paid to Henry Wisner for the purchase of Salt Petre. Powder was also sent from Albany into Tryon County.

On Sept. 19, 1776, Congress appointed Henry Wisner, sr., Robert Yates, William Harper, Matthew Adgate and Doctor Joseph Crane a Committee to make Discoveries and Assays of Sulphur, Lead and Flint; and voted $500 to the Committee. Mr. Adgate also acknowledged the receipt of $500. The Committee, 1776–1778, expended £1389. After the preliminary investigations, Matthew Cantine, William Harper and Jonathan Lawrence were created Commissioners to Explore Mines of Lead and Sulphur, and to Erect works for the manufacture of Salt, Sulphur &c.

State of New York Dr. to William Harper one of the Commissioners for erecting works for Salt Sulpher flints

1777				
May 25	To 1 day to Springfield to engage Mr. Spencer to contract with the Onoida Indians for use of their Saltspring	£		8
" 30	To 6 days in company with Caspar Houdt chimist to view the Sulphur Springs & to determing where to erect the works at Andrew's Town at 8/ Pr day.....		2	8
June 15	To 16 days in Company with Major Laurence to view the Salt Springs at Orisque, Onoida & Springfield and trying Several experiments on the Salt Springs in the different places & contracting with Mr. Stoudt .....@8/ pr day.....		6	8
June 26	To 10 days travling & exploring the Sulpher mines at Schohary, for Contracting for the Same and for Lands to Erect the works thereon necessary for manufacturing the Same		4	
July 5	To 5 days in Company with Hugh Alexander to Explore and make experiments on the Salt & flint mines @ 3/		2	
1778				
Feby 14	To 35 days, To Ajores. 9 to Poughkeepsie waiting on the Legislature there 17 days travel'd from thence to Salsbury and Ancrom to prepare Stove for the Sulpher works		14	
Octob 5	To 12 days To a journey to Ancrom Poughkeepsie obtaining an order on the Treasury for £700 at Kingston from there to Col. Livingston to pay for the Stoves &c.....		4	16
1779				
Jany. 1	To 23 days to a journey to Schohary to Inspect the Sulpher work hiring men to cut wood.....		9	4
1780				
Feby 21	To 5 days, to a journey to Schohary to inspect the Sulpher works & Settle with Mr. Stoudt.....		2	
			£45	4

Auditors Office New York Octo 13th. 1785 The Committee appointed by law to Instrut me have examined the above account & have directed That William Harper Esqr. must be credited for the above Sum of forty five pounds 4/ on his account of Comissioner of Sequestration. Peter T. Curtenius State Aud^r.

Gerard Bancker Esqr Treasurer.

Mr Harper together with other Commissioners of Sequestration for Tryon County have accounted for the Sequesterd property Sold by them & there will be a ballance coming to them & therefore you are requested to pay the within Sum of forty five pounds 4/ to Wm Harper Esqr.

Peter T. Curtenius State Audr.

Gerard Bancker Esqr Treasurer.

Received May 6th. 1786 from Gerard Bancker, Treasurer, Forty five Pounds, four Shillgs. in full for the within Acct.

£45 4 0 Wm. Harper

The Commissioners employed John Waggener to do the practical work. Casper Stout, the chemist, employed Johannes Lawyer to make moulds for the Sulphur, in November, 1777. Lawyer boarded Stout, and also "rode" loads of clay, sand and stone to the Sulphur works.

The Committee of Ulster County made these payments, in 1776: — Oct. 25, £2 to Elias Hasbrouck for bringing Powder from John Livingston's Magazine; Oct. 26, £3.15.0 to Philip Swart for carrying Powder from New Windsor for the Regiments of Colonels Snyder and Pawling; same date, the freight on Powder from Kingston to Newburgh.

The Committee of Orange County, in 1777, ordered Lieut. Joseph Conkling's Company to guard the Powder Mill of John Carpenter. On May 3, of that year, the Provincial Congress ordered men to be raised to guard the Powder Mills in the Precincts of Rhinebeck, Wallkill and Cornwall.

In Convention of the Representatives of the State of New York Kingston May 3d 1777.

Resolved that the Committee of the Precinct of Rhinebeck in the County of Dutchess and the Committee of the Precinct of Wallkill in the County of Ulster and the Committee of the Precinct of Cornwall in the County of Orange be directed to raise a Company in each of the said Precincts to continue in Service till the first day of July next unless sooner discharged consisting of one Lieutenant three Sergeants & twenty four Privates in order to guard the several Powder Mills in each of the said Precincts

Resolved that the officers be allowed Contin[l]. Pay & fifteen shillings per Week for Rations and the non commissioned officers and Privates contin[l]. Pay and twelve shillings per week for Rations and be under the command of the Proprietors of the said Mills

Resolved that the Committees above named call out a part of the Militia of the said Precincts to mount Guard at the said Mills till the said Companies are compleated and that they be also under the command of the Proprietors of the said Mills and be allowed the above Pay and subsistence.

Robt. Benson Secry.

In Provincial Congress for the State of New York June 9th 1777.

Whereas sundry Mills and other Manufactories for the making of Gun powder and musketts are now erected and about to be erected within this Colony; and for as much as all such manufactories will greatly tend both to the immediate Defence and future wealth of this Colony —

Resolved therefore that for every Hundred weight of good Gun powder which upon due proof shall be certified by the Committee of the County where any powder Mill is or shall be erected, to have been manufactured within this Colony and to have been delivered to the said Committee, the Bounty of five pounds shall be paid to the manufacturer thereof over & above the price of such Powder: And for every hundred good Musketts of proof so certified, the Bounty of Twenty Pounds — The Bounties aforesaid to continue for twelve months from the date of this Resolve.

John McKesson Secry.

In Convention of the State of New York, Poughkeesie Jany., 8, 1778.

The Committee appointed to examine the Accounts of Henry Wisener Esqr. relative to Salt Peter and Bounty on Gun Powder reported as follows to wit, That it appears to them that a Part of the Salt Peter which Mr. Wisner hath purchased for the Use of this State consisting of 2420 3/4 is unattanted with such Vouches of its being made of Materials collected within

this State as are required by a Resolution of Convention in that Case made and Provided and that in Consequence thereof the Auditor Genl. refuses to Audit his Accounts of the Same that Nevertheless from the local Situation of the several Manufacturers of the Said Salt Peter your Committee are Satisfied that the said Salt Peter was made from Materials collected within this State and are of Oppinion that a Strict compliance with the Letter of the Said Resolution in this Case to be dispensed with and do therefore recommend the following Resolution to wit. Resolved that the Auditor Genl. of this State be and hereby authorized and directed to Audit the said Accounts for payment notwithstanding there being unattanted with the necessary Vouches as aforesaid. That as to the GunPowder manufactured at Mr. Wisner's Mills it appears to your Committee that near two thousand weight thereof hath been delivered to the order of the convention of this State and that the remainder was delivered to the Several Orders of Genl. Washington and Genl. Schuyler at diferent times excepting about one thousand Weight thereof remaining in the Powder House and ready to be delivered to the Order of this State that the Said Powder agreeable to a Resolution of Provincial Congress should have been delivered to the Committees of the Respective Counties where it was manufactured, but that the aforesaid Applications and Orders prevented a Compliance therewith, that Mr. Wisner's answering the Demands of the Generals aforesaid was highly expedient; as a speedy Supply of that Article was indispensibly Necessary to promote the Public Good and that he has fully complied with the Spirit of the said Resolution and do therefore recommend the following Resolution to wit. Resolved that the Auditor Genl. of this State be and he is Hereby authorized and directed to Audit Mr. Wisner's Accounts of the Same for payment notwithstanding their being unattanted with the Necessary Vouches Required by the Letter of the Said Resolution.

The said Report being read. Resolved that this convention do approve of the said Report of their Committees and that the same stand Confirmed. Robt. Benson Secry.

On Jan. 8, 1778, the Legislature ordered the Auditor General to audit the accounts of Henry Wisner jr for 2420 lbs of Salt Petre (although not attended with the proper vouchers) because "the said Salt Petre was made from Materials collected within this State":—

In Convention of the State of New York, Poughkeepsie Jany 8th 1778.

The Committee appointed to examine the Accounts of Henry Wisner Esquire relative to bounty on Gun Powder reported that as to the Gun Powder manufactured at Mr Wisner's mills it appears to your Committee that near two thousand weight thereof hath been delivered to the Order of the Convention of this State & that the Remainder was delivered to the several Orders of Genl. Washington & Genl. Schuyler at different Times, excepting about One Ton Weight thereof remaining in the Powder House & ready to be delivered to the Order of this State. That the said Powder agreeable to a Resolution of Provincial Congress should have been delivered to the Committees of the respective Counties where it was manufactured, but that the aforesaid Applications & Orders presented a Compliance therewith. That Mr Wisners answering the Demands of the Generals aforesaid was highly expedient; as a speedy Supply of that Article was indispensibly Necessary to promote the public Good & that he has fully complied with the Spirit of the said Resolution.

The Committee, therefore recommended, and the Convention approved, a direction to the Auditor General to audit Mr Wisner's accounts although they were "unattended with the necessary Vouchers required by the Letter of the said Resolution".

The State of New York

To Henry Wisner & Co	Dr.
To Bounty on 14737 lb Gun Powder Manufactured in Ulster County by Henry Wisner Senr. from July 9 1777.....1/ Pr lb	£736 17
To Bounty on 3725 Manufactured in Orange County from June 9 1776 to June 9th 1777 .....1 Pr lb	186 5
	£923 2

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By Cash Rec[d] of the Treasurer for which I gave my bond	£150 0 0	
By d° Borrowed	200 0 0	350 0 0
		£573 2 0

Feby 25. 1778

Examined & Allowed the above Ballance of five Hundred & Seventy three pounds Two Shillings

Comfort Sands Aud Secy.

To Peter V B Livingston Esqr

Rec[d] March 24 1778 from P V B Livingston by the Hands of Gerard Bancker five Hundred and Seventy three pounds two Shillings in full for the within Account

Henry Wisner Jun[r].

In 1778, it was resolved that Powder should be delivered on the order of the Governor or the Council of Safety. A large Magazine was located at Fishkill, where the price was stated to have been $6 per pound, in 1779. The State stored the largest quantity of Powder in Albany. It was under the control of Hendrick Roseboom, who was nearly 70 years of age at the time. For many years before the breaking out of the War, he had stored Powder for the Colony. On June 10, 1777, an entry in his books showed that 100 barrels of Powder had been "loaded by order of Mr. Philip Van Rensselaer, 25 wagons, each 4 barrels". This large requisition was sent to the North for the operations that ended in the surrender of Burgoyne in the fall of that year.

Early in the War, the Albany County Committee paid 1/– each for 40 Powder Horns; but, later, they were quoted at 3/6. Bullet Pouches were made of sheepskin

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Flints

Recd Decr 7 1775 of Peter T. Curtenius Ten boxes bullets & buck Shott Two hundred pounds in Each & three Kegs flints gt Nine Thousand five hundred flints which I promise to Deliver to Abrm Yates Esqr at Albany, he paying me the Customary freight, having Signed Two receipts of the same date, the one being accomplisht the other is to stand void

Isaac Fonda

(The proportion was 1 ball to 5 flints e. g.)

	Ball		Flints
Trion County	600		3000
Westchester	800		4000
Ulster	400		2000
Duttches	1000		5000
Albany	2000		9500
Suffolk	400		2000
Do	200		1000
Do	400		2000
	5800		28500
New York	1350	Lead	
	7150		

[Comment by Peter T. Curtenius, Commissary] the above Lead and ball I delivered before Mr. Norwood was appointed and was sent to the County Committees for the Militia.

The same proportion of 1 to 5 holds good in the following:—

The Proportion of 50,000 Flints and 10,000 lb of Ball to be sent to the several Counties of this Colony —

	Flints	Ball	
To New York	9000	1800	1350 Delivd
Albany	10000	2000	Sent
Tryon	3000	0600	All sent
Dutchess	5000	1000	Sent
Westchester	6000	1200	Sent
Ulster	2000	0400	Sent
Orange	3000	0600	
Suffolk	3000	0600	Sent
Queens	3000	0600	not to be sent without orders
Kings	0750	0150	
Richmond	0750	0150	
Charlotte	1500	0300	
Cumberland	2250	0450	
Glocester	0750	0150	
	50000	10000	

I approve the above disposition Alexr McDougall [Col. 1st Line]

New York 13 Decr 1775

The Provincial Congress, or Convention, July 26, 1776, voted £70 to Messrs. Marsh, Stevens and Sessions for transporting Flints to the counties of Cumberland and Gloucester. On Dec. 10, 1777, the Treasurer received cash from John Moore which he, in return, had received from a Commissary who had taken Ball and Flints that were sent to Tryon County, vizt: for

400 lb Ball at 8d	£20. 0. 0
3000 Flints at 40/	6. 0. 0
	£26. 0. 0
Deduct so much Mr Moore pd freight	17. 0
	£25. 3. 0

Lead

Lead was the most difficult of the warlike stores to secure. The Committee, named above, did not discover any paying mines of that article. (See "Public Papers of George Clinton", Vol. II, pp. 489 and 498). As it was impossible to import Lead, the Troops from this State resorted to pewter dishes as material for their Bullets. At Fort Montgomery, even the weights on fishing-nets were used for this purpose. Small quantities of Lead were brought from Connecticut. Finally, early in 1776, a happy thought came over the Provincial Congress. Here is the story, as told by Peter T. Curtenius, in making up his Accounts against the United States:—

The reason that their is no account of Purchaces Produced by P. T. C. is because by a Resolve of the Provincial Congress the Window Leads were taken out of the Windows of the Inhabit-

ants in the City of New York & deliv'd to P T Curtenius then Commissary of the Provincial Congress amounting to Something above 100 Tons w^t for which the Citizens were paid for by the Treasurer of the State after the War was over at 9^d pr lb this is the reason why It does not appear in P T C acct of Purchases — the 4 Ton 7.1 — was sent by P T C to Brig^r Genl Geo Clintons Encampment at Westchester the 12 Ton was Sent up to Orange County as a place of Safety & afterwards was delivd to J Rudduch who was a Contin^l Officer & the remainder Say 6324 was Sent up to Albany & delivd to Phil Vanrenselaer who was a Millitary Store Keeper for the United States —

This is the form of Certificate that was given by Daniel Dunscomb:—

1776 State of New York to Paulus Banta Dr.
July. For 124 lb. Window Lead taken from my House by Order of Convention for public use as pr Danl. Dunscomb's Certificate at 9d pr W..... £4.13.—

New York 7th Decem^r 1784 I have examin'd the above account and allow to be due thereon the Sum of Four Pounds thirteen shillings Currency which please to pay Mr. Nicholas Bogart on his producing Mr. Banta's Receipt on the Back of this Accot.

Gerard Bancker Esqr. Treasurer. Peter T. Curtenius State Audr.

[Indorsed, as follows]

Rece'd New York 7th Decem^r. 1784 from Gerard Bancker Treasurer of the State the Sum of Four Pounds thirteen shillings in full of the within Account.

£4..13.. 0 Paulus Banta.

New York the 7th Decem^r. 1784.

I Certify that there was taken out of the house of Paulus Banta in Dey Street One hundred & twenty four pounds of window leads for Public service by order of Convention.

Peter T. Curtenius Esqr. Auditor. Daniel Dunscomb.

A deposition of Edward Blagge, made on Feb. 14, 1785, states "that sometime in the Month of July in the year of 1776, a Number of Men came to the house of Capt George Codwise and took from the Windows of the Dwelling House of the said George Codwise a Number of Leaden sash weights & put them in a Cart with a Number of Others, & when this deponent ask'd what Authority they had for so doing he was answer'd 'twas by Public Authority".

The following is the only claim that appears from any locality outside the City of New York:—

State of New York to Frederick Roorbach ..... Dr

For 91 1/4 lb Lead Weights delivered for public use as pr Certificate from Robert Boyd, junr Chairman of Ulster County Committee a 9^d pr lb..... £3. 8. 3

I hereby certify that Mr Frederick Roorbach delivered to me as Chairman of the Committee for the County of Ulster Ninety one pounds and a Quarter of lead, and that the same was made into Bullets and used by the Militia of the County aforesaid when going to Forts Montgomery and Clinton in the Month of July 1776—

New York 30th December 1784. Robt. Boyd Junr.

[The account was allowed by the Auditor-General on Jan. 10, 1785; and paid the same date.]

Previous to the removal of the Window Leads belonging to the private citizens of New York, Samuel Prince and two assistants, on June 5, 1776, took the Leads from the City Hall and the Exchange; and, on July 12, 36 bars of Lead, weighing 1069 pounds, were taken from Jacobus Depeyster. John Davis, July 17, 1776 charged the Committee of Poughkeepsie 9^d per pound for 41 pounds of Lead. Daniel Dunscomb was paid by a law passed May 12, 1784.

Window Leads were taken from the houses of these citizens:

Abrams Andrew
Abrams Anthony
Ackly Anthony
Algier (Mrs.)
Alner John
Alsop John
Alstyne Elizabeth
Anderson Elbert
Anthony Nicholas
Anthony Nicholas N.
Aspinwall John
Bache Theophylaet
Ball Cornelia (Mrs.)
Banta Paulus
Barclay Andrew
Barclay Henry, Rev.
Barnes Mary
Barnes Phebe
Barrea Francis
Barrow Thomas
Bassett (Mrs.)
Bassett Francis
Bauman Sebastian, Maj.
Bayard Samuel
Bancker Adrian
Bancker Evert
Bancker John
Beekman (Mrs.)
Beekman Abraham
Beekman Gerard G., jr.
Beekman Gerard William
Beekman Henry
Beekman James
Beekman John
Beekman Samuel
Beekman Theo's
Beekman Wm. & Family
Bend Grove
Bender Matthew
Benson Benjamin
Benson Robert
Blake Jonathan
Blau Cornelia (Mrs.)
Bockee Abraham
Bogart Henry C.
Bogart Nicholas, Capt.
Bogert Cornelius
Bogert Elizabeth (Mrs.)
Bogert Jacobus
Bogert John
Bogert Nicholas
Bogert Peter
Bonta Jacob
Bouvelot James
Bowne Samuel
Brasher Abraham
Brasier Meads
Breested Andrew
Brevoort Elias
Brevoort Henry
Brewerton George
Brewerton Jacob
Brinckerhoff Abraham
Broome Samuel
Brower Abraham
Brower Jeremiah
Brower John
Brower Peter
Brown John
Brown Mary (Mrs.)
Brown Thomas
Brownjohn William
Buller Jane
Burke (Mrs.)
Burling Lancaster
Burras Lawrence
Butler William
Byvanck Evert
Byvanck John
Callow Stephen
Car Anthony
Carmer Henry
Carpenter Elizabeth
Carroll James
Cheesman Thomas
Clark John
Clarke James, Dr.
Clarke Thomas, Capt.
Clarkson David
Clopper Peter
Cockeroft William
Cockle Hannah (Mrs.)
Codwise George, Capt.
Cooley Francis
Cornelison Michael
Couwenhoven Nicholas
Covenhoven Edward
Crolius John
Crommelin Robert
Crooke Annahe (Mrs.)
Crooke Elizabeth (Mrs.)
Crosfield Stephen
Cruger Henry
Cruger John
Curtenius Peter T.
Dale Robert, Capt.
Davis Benjamin
Deall Samuel
Deane William
De Lancey John
De Lancey John Peter
De Lancey Peter
Delaplaine William
Denning William
De Peyster Cornelia (Mrs.)
De Peyster Nicholas
De Peyster William
Des Brosses Elias
Des Brosses James
Dickson David, Capt.
Dobson Thomas
Dodge Amos
Dodge Samuel
Drake Jasper
Duane (Mrs.)
Dudley John
Duncan George
Dunscomb Daniel
Dunscomb Edward
Dunscomb John
Dunscomb Samuel
Duryee Abraham
Duryee John
Dutch Church Convention of the
Duyckinck Gerardus
Eagles William
Ebbetts Daniel
Elliott John
Ellison Thomas
Elsworth Johannes (Mrs.)
Elsworth Theophilus
Elsworth William, sr.
Elsworth William, jr.
Fangere Lewis, Dr.
Farman Samuel
Farmer Maria
Fell John
Filkin Francis
Finch Alexander
Fine Frederick
Foght John M.
Forbes Gilbert
Forbes Joseph
Fox Mary (Mrs.)
Franklin James
Franklin John
Franklin Samuel
Franklin Walter
Fraunces Samuel
Gaine Hugh
Gautier Andrew
Giffing George
Gilbert John
Gilbert William
Goelet Peter
Gomez Moses
Graham Ennis
Gregg David
Griffith Robert
Griffiths John, Capt.
Grigg Henry
Griswold Joseph
Groesbeck Elizabeth (Mrs.)
Hallett James
Hallett Joseph
Halstead Phebe
Ham Coenrad W.
Hammond Elizabeth (Mrs.)
Hardenbrook Abel
Hardenbrook Theophilus
Hardenbrook William
Haring Elbert
Harris Richard
Harrison George
Harsin Garrit
Hayes (Mrs.)
Haynes Joseph
Henderson Thomas
Henshaw Daniel, Capt.
Heyer William, Col.
Hicks Whitehead
Hildreth Benjamin
Hitchcock Daniel
Hodgeson John
Holland Henry
Hopkins George
Hopper Matthew
Hopper Rynear
Housman Aurt
Howard Sheffield
Hoyer Peter
Hughes, Mary Walton (Mrs.)
Hunt Davis
Hunt Jane
Hyer Walter
Jandine Charles
Jarvis James
Jauncey James, jr.
Jauncey John
Jauncey Mary (Mrs.)
Jay Frederick
Johnson Jane (Mrs.)
Johnson John, Capt.
Johnson Samuel
Johnson Simeon
Jones Humphrey
Jones Margaret (Mrs.)
Kelly William
Kemmeny Engelbart, Dr.
Kendall Mary (Mrs.)
Kennedy Archibald
Ketellas Abraham, Rev.
Ketellas Peter, jr.
Kibbel Stephen
Kiersted Rulef, Dr.
King Linus

Kip Abraham
Kip Henry
Kip Jane (Widow)
Kip Leonard
Kippin William
Kissick Philip
Knack Reinier
Kortright Lawrence
Laight Edward
Lasher John
Latham Daniel
Latham John
Latham Joseph
Lawrence Augustin
Lawrence Caleb
Lawrence Catharine (Mrs.)
Lawrence John
Lawrence Thomas
Leake Ann (Mrs.)
Leake John
Leary John, sr.
Leaycraft Viner
Lee John
Lefferts Jacobus
Lester Joseph
Lispenard Leonard
Livingston Elizabeth (Mrs.)
Livingston John
Livingston Philip
Livingston Robert
Livingston Robert G.
Long John
Lott Abraham
Lott Abraham P.
Louden Samuel
Lowey Michael
Ludlow Cary
Ludlow Gabriel
Ludlow William
Lupton William
Lyng John Burt
Lynson Catharine (Mrs.)
McAdam William
McAlpin Robert
McCready James
McEvers Charles
McEvers James
McKenny John
McKinly William
Mallet Jonathan
Marsalis Peter
Marschalk Francis
Marston Nathaniel
Marston Thomas
Martin John
Masterton David
Matthewman Catharine
Maxwell William
Mead Isaac
Mercier William
Mesier Abraham
Mesier Peter
Milliner William
Misnard Daniel
Moncrieff Thomas
Montanye (Mrs.)
Montanye John
Montanye Joseph
Moore Benjamin, sr.
Moore John
Moore Lambert
Moore Michael
Moore Thomas William
Moore William
Morton John
Murray Robert
Myer John R.
Myers Myer
Neilson William
Nicoll Charles
Nicoll Edward
Oakes Thomas
Ogsbury Alexander
Oothout John
Oudenaarde Henry
Panton Francis
Parceles Abraham
Payne Ann (Mrs.)
Pearsall Thomas
Pearse William
Pell Samuel
Pettit Thomas
Phillips Charles
Phoenix Daniel
Pinto Rachel
Play Hannah (Mrs.)
Prince Samuel
Provoost David
Provoost Eve (Mrs.)
Provoost Peter
Puffendorf (Mrs.)
Quackenbos Walter
Quackenbush Johannes
Quackenbush Nicholas
Quick Abraham
Quick Jacobus
Quill Thomas, Capt.
Ramsay John
Randall Thomas
Rapalje Garret
Rapalje Rem
Ray John
Ray Robert
Reade John
Reed James
Remney William
Remsen (Mrs.)
Remsen George
Remsen Henry
Remsen Jacob
Richards Paul
Richards Stephen
Riker Andrew
Riker Henry
Riker John
Rivington James
Robert Christopher
Robertson Alexander
Roome Jacob
Roome Luke
Roorbach Frederick
Roorbach John
Roosevelt Isaac
Roosevelt Jacobus
Roosevelt Nicholas
Rutgers Elizabeth (Mrs.)
Rutgers Henry
Rutherford Walter, Maj.
Sackett Samuel
Sands Comfort
Sarly Jacob
Schermerhorn John, Capt.
Schuyler Elizabeth (Mrs.)
Schuyler John
Schuyler Samuel
Seaman Edmond
Sears Isaac
Sebring Bannat
Sebring Cornelius
Shand Mary
Sharp Richard
Shoals John, Capt.
Sickels Robert
Sickels Zachariah
Silvester Francis
Simson Solomon
Smith Abraham
Smith Ann (Mrs.)
Smith Barnardus
Smith Christopher
Smith John
Smith Thomas
Smith William
Smith William Peartree
Spraggs Samuel
Stagg John
Stanton George
Steele Stephen
Stephany John Sebastian
Stevens John
Stewart Alexander
Steymets Benjamin
Steymets Christopher
Stiles Daniel
Stout Benjamin
Stoutenbergh Tobias
Stoutenburgh Isaac
Stoutenburgh Peter
Sweedland Christopher
Talman William
Taylor John
Ten Eyck Abraham
Ten Eyck Anthony
Ten Eyck Daniel
Ten Eyck Mary (Mrs.)
Teppet Stephen
Tetard John Peter
Thurman John, sr.
Thurman John, jr.
Tiebout Teunis
Tillou Peter
Todd Sarah (Mrs.)
Tolmie Norman
Totten Joseph
Towt Robert
Troup John I.
Troup Robert, Capt.
Tucker Thomas
Turk Aha's
Turner John
Ustick Henry
Ustick William
Van Alstyne Abraham
Van Alstyne John
Van Alstyne Roome
Van Antwerp Jacobus
Van Buren Beekman, Dr.
Van Cortlandt Augustus
Van Cortlandt John
Van Cortlandt William
Van derbilt John
Van derspeigle John
Van der Voort Peter
Van der Water William
Van Dolsem John
Van Drill William
Van Dum Catarine
Van Dum Sarah
Van Dursen Peter
Van Dyck Abraham
Van Dyck Jacobus
Van Gelder Abraham
Van Gelder Colin
Van Horne Augustus
Van Horne David
Van Horne Samuel
Van Keuren Margaret (Mrs.)
Van Renst Catharine (Mrs.)
an Solingen Godardus
Van Varck Effie
Van Varck James
Van Varick Guilliam
Van Vleeck Henry
Ven Vleeck John

Van Vorhis Jacob
Van Wagenen Huybert
Van Wagenen Jacob
Van Wyck Theodorus
Van Zandt Jacobus
Van Zandt Peter
Varick Guilliam
Varick John
Verplanck (Mrs.)
Verplanck Samuel
Vredenburgh John
Vredenburgh Matthias
Vredenburgh William
Waddle (Mrs.)
Waldron Kilah (Mrs.)
Waldron Richard
Waldron Sarah (Mrs.)
Walker John
Walton Cornelia
Walton Jacob
Walton William
Wardell Thomas
Watar Agnes
Watson Jacob
Watts John, jr.
Weeks Peezard
Wells James
Wendover Hercules
Wendover Thomas
Wessels Francis
Wetherhead Rachel (Mrs.)
Wetzell John
Whiteman Henry
Wickham William
Williams Erasmus
Williams William
Witter Thomas
Wolfe David
Wood John
Woodward John
Wright John G., Dr.
Yates Richard
Zuricker John

In July, 1776, the Provincial Congress, or Convention, voted £40 to Nathaniel Sackett for transporting Lead in Dutchess County; £50 to Henry Wisner, jr., for transporting Lead to the Counties of Orange and Ulster; and £70 to Messrs. Marsh, Stevens and Sessions for transporting Lead to the Counties of Cumberland and Gloucester.

The 100 tons of Lead secured from the windows in New York City proved invaluable. The fate of the American cause might have been much more doubtful, had it not been for this supply. From July to December, 1776, about 20 tons of this lead had been delivered to the Army. In July and August, a large part of it was shipped to Col. Levi Pawling, in Gen. James Clinton's Encampment; to Nathaniel Sackett and Jonathan Platt, in Dutchess County; and to Henry Wisner, in Ulster and Orange Counties — £20. 0. 6 having been paid to the latter, Oct. 23, by the Treasurer of the Provincial Congress. The Committee of Ulster County, Oct. 25, paid 4/6 to Johannes Hardenbergh for freight on Lead; and, also, the same amount to William Elsworth for freight paid "for Lead Carried to Kingston from N. Y. of which the lower end of the County had none". Some of the last named Lead was afterward carted from Kingston to Newburgh.

1776	State of New York to Henry Bogart Dr.	
Novr 10	To Cartage for Sash Leads from Hobuck & Newark	£3. 4.
	To Cartage down to the Ferry	10.
	To casting 15 C^t Lead into Musket Ball @ 8/—	6.
1784	To 15 Boxes for the Ball — 2/—	1.10.
July 10	To my Wages going to Hackensack to dig up the Bullets & carting them to the Landing 4 days @ 10/—	2.
	To 9 New Boxes the old ones being rotten	18.
	To freight paid to the Boatman from Hackinsack including cartage to the Barracks	12.
		£14.14.

This bill was audited and paid May 15, 1786. The State, May 29, 1777, paid a bill of the Committee of Newburgh Precinct, dated July 4, 1776, for 186 3/4 pounds of Lead, at 8^d., delivered to Col Hasbrouck's Regiment at Fort Montgomery.

Flags

Here is a bill for Flags:—

1776 State of New York to Eliza & Grove Bend, Dr.

June 17	To 7 ps brown Hessian Linnen deld Richd Kip			£14.14. 0
24	8 yds Yellow Taffety	14/—		5.12. 0
	4 1/2 do White do	14/—		3. 3. 0
	19 yds Blue Italian Silk	13/6		12.16. 6
	1 3/4 yds Green do	13/6		1. 3. 7
	4 Skains Silk	1/4		5. 4
	7 1/2 yds Pink Lute string	10/—		3.15. 0
	2 2/3 yds Green do	10/—		1. 6. 8
	the above was for Colours for the Regiments in the New York Line.			
				£42.16. 1

Horses

Horses were usually paid for in what were called "Horse Notes".

Arrangement of the Business of purchasing 600 Horses for the Use of the Army.

No. of the Districts	Purchasing Districts	Names of Purchasers	No. of Horses to be purchased by each
1	Goshen Precinct in Orange County	Joseph Wood of Goshen	33
2	Cornwal Precinct in Orange County and such part of the County as lies on the South Side of the Mountain	Ebenezar Woodhull of Blooming-grove.	17
3	Westchester County	Major Nathan[l] Delivan Courtlands Manor.	20
4	Kingston, Hurly, Marble Town and Rochester in the County of Ulster	Cornelius D. Wynkoop of Hurley	40
5	Any part of the County of Ulster except Hurley, Kingston, Rochester and Marble Town	James Hunter of Shawangunck	60
6	The Precincts of Philips, Fred'k[s]. Burgh, South East and Rumbout in Dutchess County	Platt Rogers of Rumbout Precinct	30
7	The Precincts of Poughkeepsie, Charlotte, Beekmans, Paulings & Amenia in Dutchess County	Nath[l]. Platt of Charlotte Prec[t].	60
8	Rhinebeck & N. East Precincts in Dutchess County, East Camp & the Manor of Livingston in Albany County	Samuel Tenbroeck of the manor of Livingston	60
9	Claverack, Kinderhook & Kings District in Albany County	Wm. Vn. Ness Junr. of Claverack	40
10	The East District of the Manor of Ransalier & the Districts lying to the Northward thereof and on the East Side of Hudson's River	Jacob Schermerhorne of Schotack	50
11	Great Imboght & Coxhacie Districts in y[e] County of Albany	Sam[l]. Vn. Veighten of Catskill	20

No. of the Districts	Purchasing Districts	Names of Purchasers	No. of Horses to be purchased by each
12	Any part of the County of Albany lying on the South Side of the Mohawk the East side of Hudson's River and Northward of Coxhacie	Jacobus Teller of Schenectady	60
13	Any part of the County of Albany on the west side of Hudson's River, and North of the Mohawk	Dirck Swart of Stillwater	30
14	The County of Tryon	Jelles Fonda of Tryon County	80
			600

Forage

Richard Hatfield, Philip Pell, jr., Melancton Smith, Jonathan G. Tompkins and Micah Townsend were Commissioners of Forage. Andrew Coldelugh, H. E. Lutterbok and John Stagg were Commissaries of Forage. Abraham Furman was Issuer of Forage. Jonathan Douglass, Daniel Hearn, H. T. Helmenhausen, James Johnson, Hugh Newton and Martin Roberts were Forage Masters.

The Committee of Safety, Feb. 22, 1777, appointed John Thomas, jr., Col. Samuel Drake, Stephen Ward, William Miller, Nathaniel Hyatt, jr, and Israel Honeywell Commissioners to remove Grain, Forage, Cattle &c., in Westchester County, out of the way of the Enemy. (See the Special Committee of Westchester County in the Chapter on "The Commissioners of Sequestration").

The accounts of Richard Hatfield, Jonathan G. Tompkins and Micah Townsend, Forage Commissioners, amounted to £5024.0.3, from June 1777 to July 1778. On Jan. 2, 1778, the Council of Safety ordered an accounting from Melancton Smith, Agent to Purchase Forage.

A large part of the Forage was paid for in Certificates, receivable for Taxes, under the law of Feb. 12, 1780. Other laws relating to the impress of Forage, and the providing of Pasturage, were passed:— Apr. 2, 1778; Oct. 1, 1779; Oct. 8, 1779; Feb. 26, 1780; June 30, 1780; Oct. 5, 1780; and July 24, 1782. In Westchester County, considerable of the Forage was under the charge of Francis Chandonet, Assistant State Agent, for the use of the French Army; and of William Brown and John Haynes, Assistant State Agents, for the use of the American Army. The accounts of the several Assistant State Agents should be consulted for further details.

CLOTHING

Early in the War, large quantities of Linen, Shirts and Blankets were imported from France; but, when further importation was impossible, Clothing was either bought in Connecticut and Pennsylvania or "made up" in the country districts of this State. Shirts and "Home-spun" came from those districts; and it is probable that the linen-clad Americans owed the uniform success of their summer campaigns to the lightness of their clothing, as compared with the woolen fabrics of their Enemy.

Robert Harpur was Chairman of the Clothing Committee; and Mr. Brasier was a member of the same Committee.

The accounts of Peter T. Curtenius, Commissary of the Provincial Congress to provide Clothing, Arms, Accoutrements &c., commenced, on June 3, 1775, with items for Pork, Rice Powder &c. On July 1, 1775, he was ordered to supply sundry utensils for the Troops of Connecticut. The Congress voted to him the following amounts:—Aug. 24, 1775, £20,000; Sept. 2, 1775, £5,000; Oct. 5, 1775, £7,000; July 9, 1776, £5,000; Aug. 29, 1776, £10,000 that he must borrow himself. The Committee of Safety voted these amounts to Mr. Curtenius: Jan. 17, 1776, £6,000; Mar. 27, 1776, £5,000; Apr. 12, 1776, £5,000.

The Legislature, Feb. 27, 1778, passed a Resolution that Mr. Curtenius "Commissary to Purchase Clothing for the State" be requested to purchase Clothing for the Troops in the service of the United States; and voted £7379.13.6, with a commission of 3 per cent to the Commissary. He was also voted £5,000, June 30, 1778; and he was given still further authority, Oct. 30, 1778, Mar. 11, 1780, and Mar. 14, 1780.

[PETER T. CURTENIUS, COMMISSARY, TO GERARD BANCKER, STATE TREASURER.]

Philadelphia Octo. 20th 1776.

Gent.

This Serves to Inform you that I have purchased at this place for the use of the N. York Troops

1109 pr. buck Skin breeches
1608 ful'd or Mill'd Stockings
85 felt hatts
1939 Check Shirts &
1928 White Shirts

All which I have had packt & stord in this City. I would have sent them (agreeable to a Resolve of Congress) to Head quarters but we received accounts yesterday that our army was going to retreat from N. York Iseland where they will stop God knows and therefore thought it most prudent to leave them here until I know where Head quarters will be fixt Besides the above I have purchased here Linen enough to make ab't Two thousand Shirts more which will be made in about 5 weeks. At Brunswick I have got about 400 pr Shoes ready & have engaged from different Shoemakers in the Jerseys about 1000 pr more which will be done by Christmas. At Hackinsack & Tappan I have got about 200 pr buckskin breeches & abt. 213 Deer Skins ready Drest abt. 400 Shirts 160 felt hatts 200 Rifel frocks 90 pr Shoes. As to Cloth & blankets I have not been able to get nor do I expect to get any because the Congress Secure for the troops all the woolens that come in here & there are orders in every Sea port town on the continent to do the Same all which will be sent to head quart^rs. where no doubt our troops will get their share. I shall Endeaver to get all I can but am afraid shall fall much short in procuring the whole quantity of Shoes Stockings & felt hatts & Leather breeches which you gave me orders to purchase they being very scarce. Would it not be proper to give the Committees in each County & town orders to purchase as many of these Articls as they could get It being Impossible for one man to procure the whole as times are now circumstansed.

I take the liberty to return the resolve of the Convention authorizing me to borrow ten Thousand pounds on the Crdt. of which I have not been able to get more than Three thousand Two hundred pounds & that was from Mr. I. Roosevelt this sum came vastly short to pay for the goods I had bought & therefore have been obliged to advance of my own Cash the Sum of £3844:0:6. & I owe £10651:6:1. more together amounts to £14495:6:7. say fifteen thousand pounds, which Sum should be glad the Convention would be pleased to send me by Mr. Dykeman as soon as possible at Paramus & beg that I may not be disappointed for I am almost exhausted & people calling on me daily for Cash. Our Convention money will not pass here &

therefore should be glad to have it in Continental money of which Mr. Livingston tells me you have lately rec'd. from here One hundred thousand dollars.

Concurrent Resolution of the Senate and Assembly June 17, 1780.

Whereas the Monies arising from the Sales of confiscated Estates and which by the Act entitled "An Act for the immediate Sale of part of the confiscated Estates" are appropriated to the purpose of purchasing Clothing and other necessaries for the Troops of this State in the Service of the United States, are not yet come into the Treasury and the Wants of the said Troops rendering it necessary that the Clothing should be procured without Delay.

Resolved if the honble. the House of Assembly concur herein that Peter T. Curtenius Esqr. Commissary of Clothing for this State be directed immediately to repair to such of the neighboring States, as he shall judge most proper, and endeavour to purchase the said Clothing on the credit of this State; and the public Faith of this State is hereby pledged that the Legislature will provide for the payment thereof within three Months after such purchase in Bills to be emitted in pursuance of the Act of Congress of the 18th of March last with Interest at the rate of six per centum per annum.

The following were probably from Mr. Curtenius, as they appear to be in his handwriting:—

Estimate of Clothing in Philadelphia July 1780

Officers Suits of Good Second Cloth with Lining & Trimmings about	£500. 0.0
2 Linnen Jacknets & Breeches of Striped Holland or Dimithy or some such.	380. 0.0
two ruffled Shirts ..... about....	225. 0.0
two plain do	200. 0.0
4 stocks	67.10.0
2 pr worsted Hose	75. 0.0
2 pr thread do	90. 0.0
1 pr Boots	150. 0.0
2 pr Shoes	90. 0.0
1 Blanket	100. 0.0
1 Hatt	180. 0.0
	£2057.10.0

Soldiers Suits about $300 Each

Stockings	£30 pr
Shoes ..... about	£37.10 per pair
Blankets.....	100
Hatts	£30
Shirts	£60

Officers Allotment about	£2000 Each 200 Suits	£400000
2800 Suits for Soldiers	300 do	840000
3600 pr Shoes	37.10.	134000
1800 Hatts	30.....	54000
3600 Shirts	60.....	216000
3600 pr Stockings	30.....	108000
1800 Blankets	100.....	18000
		£1770000

N. B. The present Markets being fluctuating & many Articles to be purchased from Second purchasers, may cause a difference from the above prices — but do not suppose more than £50000 to £100000, more or less.

Capt. Hamilton To the State of N York Dr. for Sundries delivd him for the use of his Artillery Company by P T Curtenius.

1776				
Mar 10	To Cash pd Thomas Gardiner for Drummers & fifers Cloathing as Pr bill delivd	£15	5	3
	To Ditto pd Lt James Moore for Cloth &c.	23	9	6
	To 7 Pr blue Strouds 149 1/4 yds 12/	89	11	
	To 2 Pr long Ells for lining 80/	8	0	
	To 88 yds blue Shalloon 3/ 3	14	7	6
	To 4 lb thread 7/	1	0	
	To 1 Pr Oznabrigs 70 Ells 2/4	8	3	4
	To 16 gross & 8 doz buttons 17/	14	3	4
May 10	To 5 Gross do 17/	4	5	
	To 1 Gross Vest do		12	
July 20	To 8 Gross coat do 17/	6	16	
		£186	0	11
	To Commissions which the State pd for purchasing the Goods	2	15	10
		£188	16	9

N. B I delivd Copy of the above account to Capt Hamilton when I was at head quarters the beginning of June & he promised to Send the money to Mr McKesson as soon as he was in Cash —

The documents show that the following fabrics were used in the army: Forest Cloth, Blue Duffel, Red Baize, Royal Rib, Nankeen, Brown Jean, Fustian, Dimmity, Corduroy, Oznabrigs, Blue Shallon, Blue Strouds, King's Blue, Saxon Green, White Rattinette, White Jean, White Shallon. In addition to these names there also occur:— Cambrick, Fustian and Royal Rep. Duffels were either red, blue or drab. Osingbrigs, or Osnabrigs, was a thin canvas originally used for the smaller sails of ships. The following seemed to be the prevailing prices, per yard:— Tow-Cloth, 2/3; Linen, 4/3; Red Duffels, 5/6; Yellow Taffety, 14/—; Italian Silk, 13/6; White Taffety, 14/—; Lutestring, 10/—.

The Flax Committee

The Provincial Congress, Mar. 8, 1776, voted £1333 to John Ramsay to employ the poor of New York City in spinning.

The work of the Flax Committee was of great importance. The Committee of Safety, Feb. 3, 1776 voted £50 to John Foster to purchase Tow Cloth at not to exceed 2/— per yard. Later in the year this action was taken:—

In Convention of the Representatives of the State of New York Fishkill October 3d 1776.
Resolved that A Committee be appointed to take in Charge all the Flax belonging to this Convention — That the said Committee be empowered and directed to have the same manufactured into yarn & cloth as soon as possible — And that in the employment of the spinners, they direct that a special regard be had to the poor late of New York —

Resolved that Mr. Robert Harper Colo [Abraham P.] Lott & Mr [Nathaniel] Sackett be a Committee for that purpose —

[On October 16, 1776 the Convention ordered that Mr. Harper be paid $100 for carrying out the above Resolution.]

This Committee bought large quantities of hemp-seed for planting. On Oct. 16, 1776 The Committee of Safety voted £100 for the Manufacture of Flax into fabrics.

1776 State of New York to William Prevoost Dr.
Novr: 19. To One Quarters Rent of a Store for the use of A Linnen Manufactory under the direction of John Ramsey from the 19th of August 1776 at £50 P Annum £12 10
[This account was audited and paid Oct. 16, 1786.]

Shoes and Stockings

The Congress, Apr. 15, 1777, voted £600 to Cornelius C. Schoonmaker, Chairman of the Ulster County Committee, for Stockings and Blankets ordered by the Committee of Safety.

The Accounts relating to Shoes and Stockings are very full. Hides were collected by the several County Committees and sent to the tanners, chief among whom were John Anthony and Matthew Cantine. When tanned, the Leather was delivered to Mr. Curtenius, the Commissary of the Congress, to be made into new Shoes, or to repair old ones. Shoes were made by private individuals, collected by the Supervisors of Precincts, delivered to the County Committees and, in the end, reached the Commissary. An average price was 18/— to 20/— a pair. Stockings were made and delivered in the same way. A law, passed Mar. 19, 1778, required the Supervisors of each County to buy Shoes and Stockings; and a law of Mar. 8, 1779, apportioned the making of Shoes and Stockings among the several Counties; and allowed $8 for shoes, and $7 for Stockings. Heavy fines were laid upon delinquents.

In Convention of the Representatives of the State of New York May 10th 1777.
Ordered that the Treasurer of this State advance to Mr. Philip Leake the Sum of Two hundred Pounds on Account of Shoes & Woolen Stockings to be by him purchased, pursuant to an Order of this Convention of this Day, for the Use of the Troops of this State — that the sd. Treasurer deliver the said Sum to Daniel Dunscomb Esqr. to be by him conveyed to Mr. Leake & take his Receipt for the same. By Order Abm. Ten Broeck
£200: President
Attest Robt. Benson Secry.

Rec'd. May 13th 1777 from P. V. B. Livingston by the hands Gerard Bancker two hundred pounds pursuant to within Written Order.
£200

State of New York In Senate March 2nd 1778.
The Senate being informed that the Hides which the Convention of this State some time ago put into the hands of Messrs. Matthew Cantine and John Anthony at Marbletown to be tanned and dressed by them for the use of this State, or some considerable part of them are prepared for working up into Shoes.

Resolved if the honorable House of Assembly concur herein; That Colonel Peter T. Curtenius the Commissary appointed to procure Cloathing for the Troops raised under the Direction of this State, take the said Quantity of Leather into his Care and cause the same to be made up into Shoes with all possible Dispatch, to be delivered by him or his Order into the Cloathing Stores of this State; And that Mr. Curtenius be & he hereby is authorized to give Exemptions from Militia Duty to such Shoemakers, their Journeymen and Apprentices as he shall employ in making the said Shoes; to avail them respectively no longer than during the time they shall severally be in the said Employ

Ordered that Mr. Roosevelt carry a copy of the aforegoing Resolution to the Honble. House of Assembly and desire their Concurrence thereto.

March 4th

A Message from the Honorable House of Assembly with their Resolution of Concurrence was received and read and is in the words following to wit —

"State of New York. In Assembly March 4th 1778

Resolved that this House do Concur with the Honble. the Senate in their Resolutions authorizing Colo. Peter T. Curtenius to take the Leather therein mentioned into his Care and cause the same to be made up into Shoes for the Purposes therein directed, and to give such Exemptions as are therein mentioned".

Ordered that a Copy of the aforegoing Resolution of this Senate & of the Resolution of Concurrence of the Honble. House of Assembly thereto, be delivered to Colo. Curtenius.

Robt. Benson Clk.

The following shows how the people were assessed to provide Shoes and Stockings for the Army:—

I certify that in the Year 1782 Capt Teunis Tappan Delivered for the use of Colo. Wisenfelts Regiment of Levies then stationed on the frontier a Quantity of Shoes and Stockings which had been assesed for Public Service and Deposited with him To the Best of his Recollection to the Quantity then in his possession Amounting to Five hundred and Eighteen Shoes and One hundred and forty One pair of Stockings but many of the Shoes were of Such bad Quality and impaired and the Stockings Damaged by moth that they were not Worth removing and Accordingly left in his hands and which I am informed and believe were afterwards Consumed in the Court House at poughkepsie When the Same was Destroyed by Fire.

Given under my Hand this Twentyeight Day of January

Geo Clinton.

The State Clothier

David Currie, Commissary to the New York Line, acted not only as a Seller (See "Provisions") but he also bought Clothing in Boston, and other places in Massachusetts. His work commenced May 9, 1777, and extended for about two years. He was paid 24/— per day.

The Council of Safety, in June, 1777, for better security from the Enemy, removed the state Clothing Store from Fishkill to Kingston. The State Clothier, John Henry, delivered the Clothing to the several regiments. His accounts from March, 1777, to January, 1779, reached a total of £4157.10.5. The Legislature, Mar. 13, 1779, appointed him Director of Clothing at a Salary of 10/— per day. Another law, Sept. 23, 1779, authorized the Governor to appoint a State Clothier, to be paid £65 per month. James Black and George Dunn, as well as John Henry, appear as State Clothiers in the documents.

(EXTRACT FROM REPORT OF CONGRESS MARCH 23, 1779)

The Sub or State Cloathier is to receive from the Cloathier General the proportion of the Cloathing assigned for the troops of his State, out of the public cloathing imported, or purchased by Contenental Agents And from the State for which he is appointed, all the cloathing which may at Continental expence be purchased in such state; of the latter their Quality and price; he shall transmit exact accounts to the Cloathier General, and when required, Submit the Several Articles to the cloathier general's inspection or any person for that purpose deputed by him.

When from a defiecency in the public Stores the troops of any state shall not have received their allowance of cloathing the state cloathier is without delay to represent their wants particularly enumarated in return for that purpose to the executive authority of the state to which he belongs, requesting a Speedy and adequate supply —

And in case a state at its own expence shall give and deposit with him any cloathing for the more comfortable Subsistance of its Quota of troops in addition to the allowance made by Congress, he is strictly to pursue the directions of Such States And whereas discretionary changes of the Uniforms of Regts. have proved inconvenient and expensive the commander in chief is hereby authorized and directed according to the circumstances of supplies of Cloathing to fix and prescribe the Uniform as well with regard to the Colour and facings as the cut or fashion of the Cloaths to be worn by the troops of the respective states and Regmts. which shall as far as possible be complied with by all purchasing Agents employed by Congress as well as particular States, by the Cloathier General Sub or State Cloathiers and Regimental Cloathiers; and all officers and Soldiers in the Armies of the United States and when Materials can be purchased instead of ready made Cloaths, it shall always be preferred in order that they may be made up by the Taylors of the Several Regiments to save expence and prevent the disadvantages which the Soldiers frequently suffer from their unfitness; and instead of Breeches woolen Overalls for the winter and Linen for the Summer are to be Substituted.

Commissioners of Clothing

Later in the War, when the securing of Clothing grew more difficult, the Legislature authorized the Governor to appoint Commissioners to procure Clothing, and Money on Loan, presumably to pay for the Clothing. The appointees were Isaac Roosevelt and William Floyd. The agents on Long Island and in Connecticut were John Davis and John Grenell. These legislative acts were passed:—Apr. 4, 1778; May 30, 1780; and Mar. 7, 1781. On Apr. 16, 1787, Isaac Roosevelt received £100 " as a compensation for my services as a Commissioner for procuring Clothing &c during the late war ".

The Commissioners secured the loans first. (See Accounts of Messrs Floyd and Roosevelt in the Chapter on " The Treasurer "). When the work of securing subscriptions had been well advanced the Commissioners turned their attention to the Clothing.

An Account of Subscription of Clothing Recd from the following Precincts in Ulster County—

	Shirts.	Overalls.	Yds. Linen.
From Shawingonk	43	16	34
N. Malborough	3	1	
N. Paltz	21	7	20 3/4
Kingston	28	28	
Hurley Township	23	24	
Marbletown	26	15	33
Rochester	12		18 3/4
Newburgh	26	9	8
10 bundells			
	182	80	114 1/2

A law was passed, Feb. 26, 1780, placing a limitation on the prices of Clothing. On July 1, 1780, the Legislature authorized John N. Bleecker, of Albany, Gilbert Livingston, of Dutchess, Jonathan Hasbrouck, of Ulster, Elihu Marvin, of Orange, Joseph Benedict, of Westchester, and Peter S. Deygart of Tryon, to collect Shirts and Linen for the overalls of the troops

Invoice of Linen Shirts overalls &c delivered to Lieutenant Connelly by John N. Bleecker Received from a few districts of the County of Albany Vizt

6 fine white shirts
49 Tone & Check Shirts
141 1/4 yards tone & other linen
16 pair trowsers & overalls
4 pair stockings
2 pair linen breeches
4 Linen Jackets
1 Hat
3 pair Shoes

Albany 5th Augt 1780
John N. Bleecker.

Recieved August 20th 1780 from Lieut. Michael Connolly pay Master to the fifth New York Regiment one Hundred & Eight Shirts one Hundred & fifty yards of Linnen Thirty Nine Overhalls one Jacket & one pair of Shoes being the proportion of Cloathing given by the People of the State of New York to their Troops recieved for the fourth New York Regiment.
Israel Smith Capt. P. M. & Regt. Clerk 4th N. York Regt.

Rec'd. of Lieut. Michl. Connolly one Hundd. & Sixty Shirts fifty five Overalls two Hundd. & thirteen Yards Linnin one Hatt & one pr Old Stockings being our Proportion of Cloathing given by the Peopel of this State of New York to their Troops Recd. for the 3d N. York Regiment. Camp Newyorkton Orangetown Augt. 21st 1780.
Ph. Conine Capt. Lt. 3d New York Regt.

It will be observed that while most of the Clothing was for the men, yet some provision was made for the Uniforms of the Officers. The several acts of the Continental Congress, as shown in the documents, were as follows:—

In Congress November 25th 1779.

Whereas Congress by Sundry Resolutions have provided that Cloathing be furnished to officers of the line and others at prices proportionate to their pay, but no enumeration of the articles intended to be comprehended in a Suit of cloathes having been made, or any rules explicitly laid down for the delivery or pay of the Same;

Resolved, that the following articles be delivered as a Suit of Cloathes, for the current and every Succeeding year of their Service, to officers of the line & Staff, intitled by any resolutions of Congress to receive the Same Vizt —

1 hat 1 Watchcoat 1 Body coat 4 Vests 1 for winter and 3 for Summer, 4 Pr breeches, two for winter and two for Summer, four Shirts, 4 Stocks, 6 Pr Stockings, 3 Pr Woorsted, & three of thread, four Pr Shoes — For which articles of Cloathing the officers Shall pay on receipt thereof one half more than the prices at which the Same were currently Sold before the commencement of Hostilities in April 1775 — And for this end the purchasing agents imployed on continental account Shall transmit to the clothier general, with the cloathing they Shall respectively purchase, the prices marked thereon at the rates aforesaid, and also correct Invoices of the Same, and copies of such rates and Invoices, to the board of War — And all the cloathing purchas'd on continental account by the respective States shall be valued, marked and Invoiced in like manner, and copies of Such Invoices and rates also transmitted to the board of war and the cloathier general: The cloathing So purchased Shall be distributed to and among the Sub or State Cloathiers, to be Issued by them to the regimental cloathiers, and by the latter to the Officers of the Regiments and corps; and the Said regimental clothiers Shall receive from the officers, on the delivery of the cloathing, the prices thereof So fixt; and they shall every three months Settle their accounts of monies received for cloathing with the auditors of the army in which they Shall Serve, and pay the monies which in Such Settlements Shall be found chargeable to them or in their hands to the paymaster general or deputy paymaster

general of the army or detachment in which Such regimental cloathiers Shall Serve — And the Said paymaster general or deputy paymaster general Shall make returns of the amount of Such monies So received to the board of Treasury, that the Said paymaster general or deputy paymaster general may be duly charged with the Same — The auditors making Such Settlements with the regimental cloathing Shall transmit to the paymaster or deputy paymaster general abstracts of Such Settlements, Specifying the ballances due from the regimental cloathiers respectively, that in cases of neglect they may be duly called on for payment of the Same: Copies of Such abstracts Shall also be transmitted to the board of treasury — Excepting from this rule of distribution all Staff officers not taken from the line, who are to receive their cloathing Immediately from the Cloathier general, or if attached to the corps of residing in any State at a distance from the Cloathier general Store, from the Sub cloathier of Such State; paying for the Same at the rates aforesaid — And all monies So received by the cloathier Genl or Such Sub or State cloathiers, Shall be placed to the Credit of the United States, and accounts thereof duely transmitted to the board of treasury — The Cloathier general to be charged in the Settlement of his contingent account with the monies So received, and the Sub or State cloathiers to be accountable for and pay the monies received by them to the order of the executive of the State appointg. them respectively: and the State to be charged in its cloathing account with the amount of Such monies — Excepting also all Staff officers who receive commissions on their expenditures of public monies, who are not to receive any cloathing provided at continental expence

That all cloathing issued to non-commissioned officers and Soldiers, inlisted artificers and waggoners beyond that allowed to them as bounty, Shall also be valued and paid for at the rate before mentioned; but no non-commissioned officer, Soldier, waggoner or artificer, Shall be intitled to purchase in any one year out of the public Store any other additional articles than these of hatts, hose Shirts & Shoes, and not more of these than are absolutely necessary, and not exceeding the number of the like articles allowed as their bounty cloathing — That all the cloathing before mentioned for officers in the line and Soldiers, Shall be Issued on returns certified by the Commanding officer of the corps to which they belong; all cloathing to Staff officers on the certificates of their principal with the army or in the district within which they Shall Serve; to artificers on the certificate of the commanding officer of their corps; and to waggoners on the certificate of the quartermaster general or one of the assistant quartermaster general or of the deputy quarter Master general employing them, or of the waggonmaster general or deputy waggonmaster general under whom they serve —

That no Staff officer, artificer or waggoner, not being engaged for at least one year, Shall receive cloathing; and if any Such officer, artificer or Waggoner, being engaged for one year or more, after receipt of Such cloathing, Shall quit the Service before the expiration of the term for which he or they are or Shall be engaged, he or they Shall forfeit and pay the full value of Such cloathing, and be Subject to all other penalties & inconveniences attending his or their breach of contract or desertion —

November 26th. 1779.

Resolved, That the returns for cloathing for officers in the medical Staff, regimental Surgeons and their mates who are to draw with the regimental Staff, excepted, be Signed by the director general or the physician general and Surgeon general of the district; and Such cloathing Shall be delivered either by the Cloathier general or any Sub cloathier in the State in which the officer to receive cloathing Shall reside, as is provided in the cases of other Staff officers not taken from the line —

That no cloathing Shall be Sold or delivered to noncommissioned officers or Soldiers beyond the articles they have received as their bounty cloathing, it being the intention hereof, that the Supplies only Shall be disposed of

Charles Thomson Secrey.

Uniforms

GENERAL ORDERS 1779

Uniform of the Troops raised by New York and New Jersey is Blue Coats faced with Buff and lined with white, Buttons white, white undercloaths.

5 Regiments	Their Uniform Blue faced with Buff White Lining & Buttons, White Vests & Overalls Each 27 Serjs. 135 — Better Cloathing than the Rank & file with Worsted Epuletts Each 18 D & fifes 90 — Buff faced with Blue Trimm'd with Bluee Tape & Epuletts
5 Companies Artilery	Blue faced & lined with Scarlet Yellow Buttons and Tape Drum & fifes 10 Scarlet faced with Blue
Dragoons	Short Blue Coats white facing & lining white Buttons & Under Cloaths.

The other corps of infantry Credited to the State will be in the state Uniform.

This is the Account presented by the State to the United States on the score of Clothing:—

3598	3/4 doz Stockings	£1872. 19. 7
10	" Mittens	26. 11. 6
1575	Knapsacks	42. 6. 0
73	Coats	109. 10. 0
1838	1/2 yds 3370 P. Blankets	4530. 6. 5
239	Ps 4293 y. Cloth	10885. 16. 5 3/4
421	lb Thread	117. 6.10
375	Ps 12912 1/2 y. Linnen	1710. 12. 3 1/2
484	5/12 doz Hatts	966. 14. 4 3/4
634	Shirts	7244. 2. 4
5689	Shoes	2418. 6. 0
974	gr. Coat buttons	221. 1. 1
1770	Stocks	86. 7. 8
505	Bear Skins	199. 12. 0
41	gr Shirt Buttons	4. 11. 4
Dear Skin Breeches		3456. 6. 8
		£33892. 10. 7

(See the Chapter on "The Auditor General" for the inquiries by Mr. Curtenius of Philip Schuyler as to the claims of the State of New York against the United States for Clothing. See, also, "Powder".)

PROVISIONS

Peter T. Curtenius was the Commissary of the Provincial Congress; and Henry Schenck acted as his agent. Jacob Cuyler, James Gamble and Adam Gilchrist were Deputies. Albert Adriance, John N. Bleecker, Matthew Dubois, John Franks, Isaac Goes, Samuel Hilt, Abraham Livingston, Richard Norwood, Joseph Peirson, Elisha Phelps, Tunis Tappen, Richard Ten Eyck, Lucas Van Brakel, James Weeks, Harmanus A. Wendell, John Wiley, John Woolsey and Henry Wyckoff were Commissaries. David Currie, John Currie, Peter T. Curtenius, Cornelius Cuyler, Jacob Cuyler, Jonathan G. Tompkins, Volkert Veeder and John Wiley were

Commissaries of Purchases. Victor Bicker, Joseph Bouton, Aaron Buell, John Else, Theodorus Van Wyck Graham, Henry Grigg, James Hamilton, Gilbert Horton, Robert Hunter, John Knight, Enoch Leonard, Thomas Lindsay, John Little, Abraham H. Marthings, James Moore, Elias Newman, Robert Nesbitt, Alexander Patterson, William Shute, Melancton Smith, Benjamin Stevens, Bethuel Washburn, John W. Wendell, James Winney and James Yale were Commissaries of Issues. Ezekiel Cheevers, Richard Norwood, Philip Van Rensselaer, Richard Ten Eyck and Harmanus A. Wendell were Storekeepers. James Giles was Conductor of Stores. Hugh Hughes was Commissary of Continental Stores. The following officers of the Continental or United States Government are mentioned in the documents:— Benjamin Mifflin, Qr.Mr.; Timothy Pickering, Qr.Mr.Gen.; Jonathan Trumbull, Commy. and Joseph Trumbull, Commy. Gen.

The Committee of Safety, Mar. 27, 1776, approved a bond of £30,000 from Philip Livingston, John Alsop and Abraham Livingston for the faithful performance of Abraham Livingston's contract for victualing the Troops; and the latter was voted £5,000. The Legislature, July 1, 1780, refunded £856.16 to Egbert Dumond for provisions that he had purchased for Gen. Clinton's brigade. Other instances of Legislative action appear in the Specific Supplies, named below.

John Wiley was Commissary of Purchases, by a law of Mar. 11, 1780. He was given £150,000 by Governor Clinton, July 25, 1780; and £100,000, Oct. 26, 1780. David Currie was appointed by the Provincial Congress, May 9, 1777, Commissary to provide the Continental Troops with articles not allowed by the Commissary General. The Council of Safety voted him £3000, June 3, 1777. The Legislature gave him £1000, Mar.10–11, 1778, to use in New Jersey and Pennsylvania; £5000, June 30, 1778, and £6000, Nov. 4, 1778. He received a total of £18876.2.7 between June 12, 1777, and Aug. 6, 1779 — the most of which was expended for port wine, brandy, rum, spirits, chocolate, pepper, coffee and tobacco.

According to the following concurrent Resolutions of the Legislature, dated February 21, 1778, it would seem that David Currie acted as Sutler also:—

Resolved that David Currie Esqr. Commissary for supplying the Troops of this State with such Articles as are not allowed them by the Commissary General be requested to provide for the Use of the said Troops four Hogsheads of good proof rum Two Hogsheads of muscavado Sugar and fifty weight of pepper and that he supply the said Troops with the same on credit in the Manner heretofore Observed, at the same prices at which the same are supplied by the State of Connecticut to the Continental Troops raised under the direction of that State; And that this House will with the concurrence of the Honorable the Senate provide for the expence thereof.

The average cost of Provisions, between 1775 and 1778, taken from numerous bills, was as follows:— by the Barrel,— Pork, £3 to £7; Codfish, 28/—; Rum, £5 to £6; Small Beer, 3/—; Potash, £3; by the Cwt.,— Flour 24/—; by the pound — Mutton, 4d.; Lard, 8d.; Bacon, 8d.; Veal, 10d.; Beef, 9d.; Pork (sides), 9d.; Pork (shoulders), 7d.; Butter, 1/— to 2/6; Smoked Beef, 1/—; Tallow, 2/6; Tobacco, 1/—; by the bushel — Potatoes, 4/—; Wheat, 2/8; Corn, 8/— to 10/—; Turnips, 1/6. Milk was 4d. to 6d. per quart; Soap, 1/— per gallon; Bread, 1/— per loaf; Wood, 4/— to 8/— per load; Linen, 21/— per yard; and Shoes, 24/— per pair.

In the final bills of the State against the United States these items appear:—

2003 1/2 B Peas	£585. 2. 9	
10 Sheep	6. 0. 0	
35210 lb Beef	671. 2. 2	
383 Po Potatoes	89. 3. 7	
6262 B. 10747 Ct 393 lb flour	11451.16. 6	
950 3/4 B 2779 lb Pork	3981. 4. 4	
38297 lb Rice	336. 9. 4	1/2
2829 lb Butter	415. 9. 8	1/2
4395 Bs Salt	586. 1. 2	1/2
407 1/2 Bs Beer	282. 5. 6	
8 Bs Cyder	17. 9. 0	
41 lb Candles	2. 1. 0	
20 cds Wood	14. 0. 0	
1609 gall Rum	223. 4. 0	
10080 lb Bread	81. 7. 7	1/2
Different Articles	10591.12. 8	1/4
	£29334. 9. 5	1/4

Spirits

The drinking habits of those days are constantly before the reader in running over the bills. One of the Accounts makes a charge of seven pounds "for allowance of liquor when at work"; and Col. Peter R. Livingston, in his report upon the payment of Bounties, includes "six barrels of Beer, by my orders, to encourage the people to enlist". On July 14, 1777, the Treasurer of the Provincial Congress received £521.7.8. from Richard Hatfield, the produce of several hogsheads of Rum formerly purchased by the Westchester County Committee and lately sold to Samuel Drake by order of William Duer.

Just before the burning of Kingston, a quantity of Rum was taken from Col. Lott. Although the Rum was probably lost at that time, yet the bill for the same is still in existence:—

1777 State of New York Dr to Abraham P. Lott

October 15 — To 1 Htt Containing 32 gallons West India Rum taken out of his Store by order of his Excellency Governor Clinton for the use of the public as pr affidavit given by Jacobus Low and Sworn to by said Abraham P. Lott —

32 gallons @ 12/— per gallon ..... £19. 4. 0.

The Testimoney of Benjamin Man and Zenas Skinner of Lawfull age that being imployed as Carmen in the Continental Servis and Being on the way Between Hartford and Fishkiln that on the Night of the 14th Day Instant July in Kent in Litchfield County Lying under the Carts to wach and gaurd the Liquers in the Carts Some Time in the Night Between Mid Night and Day Said Deponents were Beset by a Number of Men armed with Guns and Bayents and other accotrements and Taken by Said Company and Carried Seperate from the Carts and from Each other Some ways and Threatned by them that if they the Deponents togather with Elijah Webster a Carman with us would Not Settle with those Men that they the Deponants had Entered Complaint against or Robing Said Carts the Night Before and Let them go without paying Costs of Suit they the Said Teammen Should Never be able to go up the Great Hill for they would certainly Kill them if they did not settle the matter for it was they that got the Rum and they were the Kings Rangers and Lived in the woods and had a Right to Take Such things where they could Light upon it and further the Deponants says not.

Benjamin Man.
Zenas Skinner.

Litchfield County Ss Kent the 15th of July 1777 personally Appeared Benjamin Man and Zenas Skinner the signers of the foregoing Deposition and mad Solemn Oath to the truth of the Same.

Sworn before me. Ephm. Hubbel Jr. Just. of peace.

In the preliminary discussion, in 1784, as to the claims of the State against the U.S., the Auditor-General queried, and the Commissioners of Accounts answered, as follows: —

April 14th 1779, Continental Congress recommend to the different States to appoint an Agent to supply their Officers with Rum at 5/ 4 pr Gallon, Sugar at 4/ & Tea at 8/ pr at the Expence of the United States. Query, If the Articles cost the State more than the price here limited, whether the State is to loose the difference

The Cost & Charges of those Articles must be charged.

The accounts of Commissaries David Currie and John Currie contain many items relating to Spirits of various kinds. Other items will be found in Governor Clinton's Accounts and in Entertainments, in the Chapter on "The Governor".

Pork

The Provincial Congress, Mar. 9, 1776, ordered the Deputies of Westchester County to purchase 1200 barrels of salted Pork; and the Committee of Safety, Mar. 18, ordered that not more than £4. be paid per barrel. The Congress, June 15, voted £70. to Col. Gilbert Drake for purchasing Pork; and he bought large quantities afterward. The Congress also, Aug. 4, voted to give Col. Joseph Trumbull, Commissary General of the Continental Army, such amount as he needed of the Pork stored in Westchester County; and there is a bill, from Gerard Bancker, for going after the parties in that County who had delivered Pork to Col. Trumbull. The Committee of Safety, Sept. 9, 1777, ordered the Auditor General to charge the Pork and Provisions, spared to Col. Trumbull, to the U.S. at the market price at the time of delivery. The detailed accounts of Col. Drake and Col. Trumbull are quite voluminous.

Beef

Ebenezer Foote and Asa Worthington were Inspectors of Cattle. Timothy Benedict and Tinas Benedict were Receivers of Cattle. A Law to prevent a Monopoly of Cattle was passed, June 24, 1780.

1780 State of New York to Daniel Graham Dr.

March For 10 Head Cattle purchas'd & deliver'd for the use of Genl. Clinton's Brigade — Viz^t.

3	Head Cattle from	Wells	£4000
2	do	Goldsmith	2236.16.—
1	do	Smith	1020.
1	do	Keembergh	700.
2	do	Gillesby	1650
1	do	Crance	1230
			10836.16.—

1780			
March	my own Expences	234 Doll^{rs}	
	Goldsmiths Boy to drive Cattle	50	137.12
	Col. Isaac Nicoll	60	
	To Crance & Keemburgh for purchasing & driving part of the above Cattle to Newburgh		150.
	To 4 days Service — at 100 Dollars pr day		160.
			11284. 8.
	Cr.		
	By Cash from the Treasurer		3000.
			£8284. 8.

[Certified by Genl. James Clinton.]

Tea

The price of Tea rose so rapidly that, in June, 1776, the Committee of Albany County ordered that Tea should be taken from all dealers who sold it at more than 6/— per pound; and that such confiscated Tea should then be sold, in small quantities at 6/3 in Continental Money. There was almost a riot in Albany against the high-priced dealers.

In Convention of the Representatives of the State of New York Kings Town April 25th 1777.
Resolved that Colo. Allison & Colo. Hethorn be appointed to receive from Gen^{rl}. George Clinton the Hogstead of tea now in His possession and which was taken at Hackensack New Bridge Some time in Jany. Last by a part of the said Colo^{s}. Regments of Militia in General Clinton's Brigade and that they Deal out one pound of the said tea to each of the officers and Privates of the said Regements who were or had been in actual Service Before the taking of the said tea and did not Desert the Said Service or who have not heretofore had any Shair of the said Tea they paying at the rate of Six Shillings per pound for the Same.

Robt. Benson Secr^{y}.

23^{d}. July 1777 William Allison to the State of New York Dr.
Had for the Use of my Regement

To 336 lbs. of Tea found and taken from the Out House of Doc^{t}. Bushkirk at Hockensock New Bridg the 7th Day of Jan. Last By a Detachment of Mine and Colo. Hathorn's Regts. and some Part of which Dealt to the people of the two Regements then in Service By agreement of the Colonels and a part by order of the Convention at 6/ pr lb. amounting to £100:16: 0

To 42 lbs. Remainder proportion of My Regiment after Serving Each officer and private with one pound as above and Distributed in the Regts. at 8/ pr lb. amt. to.. 16:16: 0

£117:12: 0

I do hereby Certify that the above is all the tea Dealt to My Regement to My knowledg and that I have taken Every precaution in My power to Have a fair and true ac^{t}. kept of all the tea that came into my Possession and know of no person Receiving any but the two Regts. Except Capt. Bell of Orange town who assisted in geting it and Drew 13 or 14 lbs. for Himself and Men.

Wm. Allison.

July 23, 1777.

Examin[d]. the above Account & allow that the Sum of One hundred and Seventeen pounds Twelve Shill[s]. be paid into the Treasury of this State for 378 lbs. tea, distributed by Col. Allison to his Regiment as pr Resolve of Convention April 25, 1777.

Comfort Sands Aud. Gen[l].

To Peter V. B. Livingston Esqr.

Peas

The Provincial Congress, Mar. 9, 1776, ordered the Deputies of Albany County to purchase 50 bushels of Peas and send them to the Deputies of Westchester County. The Accounts of Col. Trumbull contain many charges for this staple article.

Grain

The Provincial Congress, or Convention, May 13, 1777, fixed these prices, per bushel:— Wheat, 7/—; Rye, 5/—; Oats, 3/6; Indian Corn, 5/—; Buckwheat, 3/—. The Congress, in 1776, ordered large quantities of Wheat shipped from one point to another. The Governor often ordered the impress of Wheat and Flour under the Commissioners, Egbert Dumond, Henry I. Van Rensselaer and Marinus Willett. The impressments took place in 1780 and 1781; but some of Willett's bore an earlier date. (See Laws passed, Oct. 3, 1778, June 28, 1780, and Mar. 27, 1781; also "Bounties" in this book.) The following is one of Col. Willett's impressment Accounts:—

United States D[r]. To State of New York for Sundry Provisions delivered to Issuing commissaries by Colonel Willet which provisions were Seized and impressed by him from disaffected persons who were gone of to the Enemy by which means the property became forfited to State NB the Receipts were taken in Col Willets name who has delivered them up upon his being Indemnified by the State as will appear by an act passed the 22[d] April 1785 an Extract of which is hereunto annexed—

Interest Calculated from the date of Deliv[y]. till 1 Jan[y]. 1787 @ 6 P[r] C[t] P[r] Annum.

Date	To whom Delivered	What Articles	Am[t].
1781			
Aug 31.	James Moore	27 Cattle 6439 lb 27 Hides 755 lb Mutton 460 lb Beef 926 lb is 8580 lb..... at 44/	£188.15. 2
		Rough Tallow 199 lb @ 6	4.19. 6.
		Flour 3866 lb equal to 34 Ct 2 Q[r] 2 lb 36/.....	62. 2. 6.
Sept[r] 30	ditto	5 Cattle 1115 lb 5 Hides 135 lb Mutton 74 lb beef 244 lb is 1568 lb..... 44/	34. 9.10.
		23 Barr flour 136 Ct .... Q[r] 2 lb .... at 36/.....	245. 2. 5.
		Rough Tallow 43 lb @ 6	1. 1. 6.
Oct[r]	ditto	Beef 1787 lb Hides 224 lb Mut[n]. 30 lb is 2041 lb @ 44/	44.18.
		Rough Tallow 63 lb @ 6	1.11. 6.
		Flour 147 C[t] C 2 Q[r] 19 lb 36/	256.16.
Nov 22	ditto	8 Cattle 15.39 lb 6 Hides 210 lb Mut[n]. 92 lb is 1841 lb 44/	40.10.
Nov 30	ditto	Flour 4 C[t] 1 Q[r] 11 lb .. 36/	7.16. 7

Date	To whom Delivered	What Articles	Amt.
1781			
Decr.	James Moore	Beef 218 lb Mutton 34 lb is 252 lb 52/	£6.11.
1782		Flour 10 C 1 Qr 22 lb 36/	18.16.
July 30	James Yules	Flour 2. C 2 Qr 26 lb 36/	4.18. 4
31	ditto	11 Cattle 1960 Hides 315 lb is 2275 lb 44/.....	50. 1.
		Tallow 6 lb .... @ 6.	3.
Augt 31	ditto	4 Cattle 4382 lb Hides 681 lb 5063 lb ... 44/.....	111. 7. 8
		Tallow 8 lb .... @ 6.	4.
24	Thos. Lindsay	Mutton 188 lb 44/	4. 2. 9
25	ditto	ditto 611 lb 44/	13. 8.10
31	ditto	ditto 94 lb 44/	2. 1. 4
Decr 24	ditto	Flour 12 Ct. 1 Qr. 25 lb 36/	22. 9.
16	ditto	Hay .... 17 Ct. 6/	5. 2.
1	ditto	Oats 7 1/2 Bushels .. 4/	1.10.
Augt. 9	I Gamble	1 Cow 300 lb 44/	6.12.
19		1 Cow 300 lb 44/	6.12.
Nov 17	A Walrath	1 Cow 300 lb 44/	6.12.
Decr. 5	E Nestle	3 Sheep 141 lb 52/	3.13. 4
	E House	1 do 47 lb 52/	1. 4. 5
26	C Ehl	Oats 16 1/2 Bush ... 4/	3. 6
			£1165.17. 4

[The amount of the above in Dollars was 2913 61/90; and the interest was 903 50/90. The Vouchers ran from No. 2 to No. 26, inclusive]

Flour

Systematic records of this article seem to commence with the Accounts of Col. Trumbull, June 14, 1776. The adjoining States took so much Flour from New York that the supply, in the latter, became short. Hence the Council of Safety, Nov. 4, 1776, passed a resolution forbidding its exportation.

In Council of Safety for the State of New York — Hurly December the first, 1777.

Ordered that the Treasurer of this State pay to Robert Benson, Esquire, one of the secretaries, twelve Dollars for the like Sum by him advanced for the State to James Campbell on the Twenty fourth day of November last for carrying the Resolutions of the Council of Safety (relative to the Exportation of Flour and Meal out of this State) to the Chairmen of Committees of the north & south side of the Mountains in Orange County and to the Chairman of the Committee of Ulster County.

Evert Bancker Prest pro tem.

Attest John McKesson, Secr'y

Decr. 25th, 1777. Recd of Gerard Bancker the Sum of four pounds Sixteen shillgs for the within Order.

Robt Benson

£4.16.0.

The Council, Dec. 12, 1777, sent a similar notice to the Committees of Dutchess and Orange Counties. Finally, the Legislature, Mar. 14, 1778, passed the celebrated "Embargo Act". Other acts, explanatory of this, were passed:— Oct. 20, 1779; Sept. 22, 1780; Mar. 10, 1781; Mar. 15, 1781; Apr. 13, 1782; and July 22, 1782.

Bread

The records of Bread, as of Flour, apparently commence with Col. Trumbull's Accounts, June 14, 1776. Col. Abraham P. Lott bought and stored large quantities, which were known as the ordinary Bread and "hard Bread".

Salt

Matthew Cantine, William Harper and Jonathan Lawrence were Commissioners charged with the duty of finding Salt. Peter R. Livingston was a Purchaser. James Robinson was an Agent. Henry Remsen, Alexander Robertson, Peter Sim and Marinus Willett were Manufacturers.

State of New York In Convention A. M. July 30th 1776.

Resolved, unanimously, that this Convention will (upon good security) lend to the first five persons (Skilled in the process of extracting Salt from Sea Water) who shall apply for the same, a Sum of Money not exceeding five hundred Pounds to each Person, for the Term of two Years from this date, without Interest, for the purpose of erecting Salt Works within this State.

Resolved, unanimously, that such works be erected at such place or places as in the opinion of the respective County Committees, where such works shall be erected, shall be most proper; provided always that the said Works be not erected within less than fifteen Miles of each other on the Sea Coast.

Resolved, unanimously, that this Convention will receive Salt at eight Shillings per bushel in payment of the respective Sums, advanced to the different Adventurers — provided the said Salt be manufactured by the Person who shall offer it in payment, and that the same be tendered for payment before the expiration of two Years after the Loan of the Money.

Resolved, unanimously, that if any of the said works should be destroyed by the Enemy; this State will lose one half of the money which has been appropriated for the purpose of erecting such Work out of the Money advanced on Loan by this State to the proprietor.

Resolved, unanimously, that nothing in the aforegoing Resolves Shall extend to the Loan of any Sum of Money to any Person who shall not apply before the first day of October next, nor then unless upon Condition that the Work shall be completed within three Months of the said Loan.

John McKesson late Secretary.

Qu. Who furnished Salt within three Months of the Loan?

In Convention of the Representatives of the State of New York — Haerlem — Augt. 1st 1776

Mr. Robert Harper & Mr. Govr. Morris reported that they have examined Peter Sim as to his Skill and Knowledge in the Art of Extracting Salt from Sea Water and think him well skilled in that Art and that in their Opinion the application of the said Sim and his Copartners in every respect comes within the Resolutions of this Convention for encouraging the manufacturing of salt.

Resolved that the said Alexander Robertson Marinus Willett Peter Sim and their Copartners shall have the sum of five hundred pounds on Loan on their joint and several Bond or obligation Conditioned for the payment thereof to the Treasurer according to the said Resolutions.

Ordered that the Secretaries prepare such Bond, and that on the Receipt thereof by the Treasurer duely executed by the said Alexander Robertson Marinus Willett Peter Sim and their Copartners and Conditioned for the payment of five hundred pounds he do advance to them that sum taking a Receipt for the same

John McKesson Sec^{y}.

Received August 28th 1776 from P. V. B. Livingston by the hands of Gerard Bancker Treasurer five hundred pounds agreeable to the above order.

£500.. Alexander Robertson.

The State of New York Dr. To Alexander Robertson, Henry Remsen & Others for Sundry Materials bought & furnished for Salt Works begun at Huntingtown on Long Island, in consequence of a Resolve of the Provincial Congress, but by the Enemies taking possession thereof were destroyed —

1776 June 26	To paid by A. R. for 12,000 hard Bricks a 32/	£19: 4
	To ditto for 7,000 soft do 22/,	7:14
	To ditto for freight	5: 7: 6
	To ditto Marinus Willett pr Auct	21.12: 7
	To ditto George Lindsay pr do	22:16: 4
	To ditto Peter Sim pr do	18: 9: 9
	To ditto do pr do for furniture	74:16: 6
		£170: : 8

The Salt Compy, To Marinus Willet, Dr.

1776	To Expences going to Huntington	£ 4:16: 4
	To do to Hellgate for Stones	8: 3
	To Cash paid for Boards Sent to L. Island	16. 8
		£21:12: 7

Received Morris County 2d December 1777 of Alexr Robertson & Co. The above Sum of Twenty One Pounds Twelve Shillings & 7d New York Curry in full of all Accots

Marinus Willett

1776 New York June 1

Mr. Alexander Robertson & Com. To George Lindsay Dr.

For Expences Laid out for the Salt Works	
go on time at Rockaway	1: 8:
Payed for fraught of Brickes	5:14
Payed for 12 of Lime at 24/ Ech	14: 8
go on time at Huntingtown with Mr. Willet	3: 4
Payed James Gardenr for his Work in part	8
go on time at Huntingtown with Mr. Sim	15
Red the above in full George Lindsay	£22:16: 4

An Account of Traveling Expences while Employed in The Company Salt Works

New York May 4th Two days a Rockway in Compy with Mr. Shaw and Lindsay Looking out for a Place fite to Erect the Works	
Payd for horse hyre 12/ and for other Conjunct Expences 8/6	£ 1: 0: 6
May 20th went with Mr. Lindsay 4 days 1/2 with the bricks To Huntington Spent 12/6 Lent Mr Lindsay 8/ to make payment for the freight of Bricks	1: 0: 6
June 1st Went to Kingwood 4 days in going and comeing Pay for horse hire 20/ & my own expences & horse 27	2: 7
Sent out to Harlem for the Bond horse hyre	6
August 12th Three days at Mr Ogdens for horse hyre 18/ To Breekfast 1/ for the horse /6 to Dinner 1/3 Drink 1/ the horse /6 to Supper 1/ Drink 2/ ye horse 1/6	1: 6: 9
To Breekfast 1/ the horse /6 Dinned with Colnel Ogden and gave him the Dementions of the Salt Pan and Left 8/ with the forman for the men Lodged in a Publick near to Colnel Ogdens for Supper 1/3 Drink 2/ and the 1/9	14: 6
for Breekfast and Dinner for my self 3/6 ye horse 1/	4: 6

Bot a gallon of Rum a 9/ and gave the man for To Pile up the Bourds and cover the lime for fear of Rain Payd a man to help to Put the Bourds in ye Sloop 3/	£12:
To Cash advanced out of my own Pocket for Bourds Bot at the Albany Peir	4:10:
	£12: 1: 9
To Cash Received on Said account	4:16:
	7: 5: 9
To 16 days Employed a 8/ pr Day	6: 8: 8
	13:14: 5

Albany Decm. 11, 1785 Recvd from Alexander Robertson Thirteen pounds thirteen Shillings and Nine Pence the Ballance due me upon the within Acct.

£13:13: 9 Peter Sim
4:16 Cash paid before

£18: 9: 9

Inventary of Sundries Shope Tools Sent to cold Springe on Long Island about the first of August 1776

To a large cast Stove and funnel for my Shope	£10:15:
To a large grindstone fitted up a	2: 8:
To 2 of my Shope Benches a 40/ pr Bench	4:
To a Large Iron Crampe for breinging up Joints	3: 4
To 2 Iron hold fasts @ 8/ pr & 2 bed keys 1 at 10/ & 1 a 8/	1.14
To 1 Turkey oilstone a 17/6 and 2 Shope hatchets a 5/ pr	1: 7: 6
To 2 hand Sawes a 36/ & 2 pannel Sawes a 37/	3:13
To 2 Tennant Sawes a 32/ & 2 Sach Do a 28/ & 2 dovetail 32/	4: 2
To 1 Chairback Sawe & two turning Sawes & 1 key hole	1: 8
2 Breaking out Sawes with frames fitted up a	2:16
To a Breass and brass Pade and Bites	3: 4
To 2 Jointers 1 a 12/ the other 8/	1:
To 2 Double Iron traying Planes a 12/ pr	1: 4
To 2 Double Smouthing hand plains a 10/ pr	1:
To 3 Common traying Plains a 6/ pr & 2 Smouthing Com a 5/	1: 8:
To 3 Jack Plains a 4/6 & 1 Pair Inch groveing Do a 10/6	1: 4:
To 3 hammers a 9 and a Veniearing Do a 4/	13:
To 2 Pairs of Pinchers a 8/	8:
To Three Sett of Bed screws a 6/ pr Sett	18:
and aboute 4 or 5 Dozen of firmers gouges & Mortice Chizels handled for the Shope use a 15/ pr	3:
To a Nest of Drawers with Plain Irons hinges Screwes and brad firmers & gouges unhandled files and Rasps some freet Sawes gamblits and Brad alles I think worth	5:10
	54:16: 6

Besides Sundrie other things such as Mallets squars and gages that I can make No account of

Household Furniture Sent to Said Place

To a Wood Axe & wood sawe to two Mahy Tables and six Rush Bottom Chairs & 4 Mahy Rush Bottoms and 2 Smal bedsteads a kitchen Table and a New Case of Bottels and a Coffie Mile Brass Scales and Waights Two kitchen Tramels two Pickel tubes & two wash Tubes an Iron hooped Pall and a Soap Barrel Mostly full of Soape and the Ticke of a Stra bed I Think the amount of them at that time to be about twinty Pound or Beter	20:
	74:16: 6

These works were destroyed by the Enemy before they were fairly in operation. In 1777, Jonathan Lawrence, as Commissioner for Exploring Mines of Lead, Sulphur &c, made trial of the Salt Springs at Oriskany, Schonnondoak, Conogoty and Andreastown, all in the valley of the Mohawk. In the same year the State Salt was carted from Simsbury and Turkey Hill to the Oblong. The Provincial Congress, or Convention, May 13, 1777, made the price of Salt 20/— per bushel in Westchester County; and ordered the Salt, after its removal to Kingston, to be subject to the orders of the Legislature or the Council of Safety. Two days later, the Council of Safety voted £13000 to Col. Abraham P. Lott to purchase and transport Salt to this State.

In Council of Safety for the State of New York In Kingston 7th June P.M. 1777.

Resolved that the sum of Four thousand pounds be put into the hands of Peter R. Livingston for the purpose of bringing salt into this State for the use of the Inhabitants thereof, on his giving his receipt for the faithful Expenditure thereof.

Resolved, that the said four thousand pounds be by the said Peter R. Livingston laid out in Salt in the Eastren States, on the best terms in his power.

Resolved that such Salt shall be brought into this State and Stored at such safe places therein as the said Peter R. Livingston shall direct — That he thereupon transmit to the Council of Safety or the future Legislature of this State an Account of the prime cost of the said Salt, his Expences in procuring, and the charges of transporting the same, to the end, that proper regulations for the Sale and distribution thereof may be made.

Attest Pierre Van Cortlandt Presdt.
John McKesson Secry.

Rec'd June 9th 1777 from P. V. B. Livingston by the hands of Gerard Bancker four thousand pounds pursuant to the within Written Orders for the faithful Expenditure of which I promise to Accot.
£4000.. Peter R. Livingston

In Council of Safety for the State of New York Kingston Augst. 1, 1777.

Resolved that Mr. Platt & Col. D. Witt be appointed to write to Colo. Peter R. Livingston & that they be authorized to give him Directions to cause the Salt by him purchased on Acct. of this State to be conveyed to such Places in this State as they may think proper.

Robt. Benson Secry.

The Council of Safety, Aug. 1, 1777, voted £2100 in addition, to Col. Peter R. Livingston, for the above named work, the same to be paid to James Robinson; and, on Aug. 12, £350 to Elias Hasbrouck for transporting Salt from Canaan to Radley's Landing, on the Hudson River. The following letter, (address uncertain) shows the difficulties under which Salt was procured:

Sir I am very glad you sent me word by Mr Robertson that you wanted me to Account with you Respecting my going up Among the Indians on Purpose to Exammine the Salt Springs for to make Salt for ye use of this State.

It will be necessary to aquante you the first time ye Members of Convention Spoke to me wass at Fishkills befor they left that place. Where they Detaind me three days when Jas. Duane Esqr. in Conjunction with ye Committee told me they would be very glad if I would agree to go to Said Springs as soon ase possable that they would make it an Object well worth my Attention, that I need not be affraid of the Indians that they were our friends. I told them if that was the Case I would go home & advice with my family and Return back in About ten days and give them an answer.

Which I Accordingly did but ye Convention was Desolved and the Most of ye Members gone to Esopus, I spoke to Mr Robt. Harper who was their on publeck bussenes he Advised me without lossing time to go to Esopus, and by no Means to Refuse going up to Make the Experement as Salt was so much wanted, he was shoure that I would be aboundantly Recompenced for my time and trobles on Account thereof whetheir it Succeded or not. I immeadilly went home and hyred a horse on ye 24 of febry. 1777 came to Esopus on the 26th gote my Instructions on the 5 of March from Jas. Duane Esqur. Chairman of the Committee, with a leter to The Honable. General Schuyler for his advice and to be Intyrley att his Deriction. I came to Albany on the 7th and deliver'd my leter to ye General who att the same time desired to See my Instructions, and then he told me it would be Some time yet befor the way was Clear, that we must take care to do nothing to offend the Indians, that he expected Mr Dean the Interpreter very soon doun to Albany in the meantime that I should go in to toune and take lodgers and be in the way when Called for. I then Sent a leter to Jas. Duane Esqur. for further advice but got no answer, I often called upon the General as the only person I had to go to & findeing he was called on to go to Congress, I asked him What I was to do in his absence he Said he had wrote up Respecting my going up but had gote no ansure, and that nothing further could be done untill he came home which would be in about three weeks.

I thought then as my family was at Such distance from this place and liveing att a very great expence, and myself on Expence here That I hade beter go and bring them up as it would be more Convenint To have them here then doune att N Windsor.

I then wrote a second leter for Jas. Duane Esqr. which you Received but got no Ansure. I went doune att the same time which was the first of Aprile and was backe here with my family by the midle of Said Month, and finding the General was long in Comeing home I applyed to Colnel Fork, who did the Generals Bussines att the Time, the Colonel told me he would gladly do any thing to Oblige me that lay in his Power to Serve the contrey, but att Preasent the Indians were pretty Crusty & he would not advice me by no means to go up amonge them, that as soon as the General came home he was to hold a Convention with ye Indians att Albany which would determine my going up, but when he came home throu the multiplicity of bussines I found it very Deficult to Gett Access to him, at last he told me he would Send for me when he would be more att lessure, and that I Should not be out of the way, during which time he Sett of for Saratoga to my great Surprise.

Very Soon after I heard that Some Gentlemen were gon up from the Convention to Said Springs, but on their Return Mr Lawrence Called att my house which was the twenty fifth of June, and he told me that the Indians were not to be trusted and that they could not Proceed So far as they Intended, but that they have latly discoverd a Springs at Cherry Valley but of no great Consequenceas the Water was very Weake, but that I had better go up and see it whetheir It would be worth while to Erecte works or Not, and at the Same Time gave me New Instructions, I went then and gote a horse and made Ready to go their and had gote the lenth of Schnatedy when the very bad News of the enemys being upon the Contrey in different Parts made it Appear to me that doing any thing of the kind was Impractable untill it should Pleas god to deliver us from our Destructive enemys.

Sir by this you will see the time I have lost and what a Loss it has been to my family for upon the Account of it I have been out of bussines for Above a twelve month Still thinking that the time Might come Soon When Somthing Could be Done in that way. I have inclosed you a Note of My Traveling Expencess which is Twentey four Pounds one Shiling & ten pence and I Shall only Charge for four Months time from the first of Febuary to the last of June which is 150 days At only 10/ Pr day which is ase lowe a charge as I can make is 75 Pound, at the time I left Esopus I Received 200 Dollars which is 80 Pounds Youl See their is a Small Ballance due to me of 19 Pound Should be much obliged To you Sir if you would bee so good as to Pay it in to Mr Robertson I would have come myself but traveling Expence is So great att this time that Im very glad of Such an oppurtounity. I am, Sir

With all Due Respect Your Humble Servant

Albany 14th Decemr. 1778. Peter Sim

Albany 14th Decemr. 1778

The Gentelmen of the Committee of Convention of this State for the Establishing Salt Manufactures Dr. To Peter Sim late of N. York

1777			
Feb	24	To my Expences at fish kills for 3 days attending the Convention	£ 1: 2
		To horse hire for 11 days at 10/— pr day to go to Esopus to the Convention	5:10
		To Expended for man & horse for 9 days	6: 3
Mar	5	To Cash pd a man to take home my horse 40/— & 12/— for horse feed	2:12
	6	To my Expences to Albany for 1 day	9:10
		the same night lodged at the Kings Arms paid for supper breakfast & dinner next day	1: 2: 6
	7	went to lodgings at 30/— pr week for 3 weeks & washing & sundry other Expences 37/6	7: 2: 6
			24: 1:10
		To 150 days time from the first of Feby 1777 until the 30 June 10/— pr day	75
			99: 1:10
Credit			
		By Cash recd of James Duane Chairman of the Salt Committee	80
			19: 1:10
1785			
Arpil	18	Peter Sim personally appeared before me & swore on the holy Evangilist that the above acct is a Just & True one	

P. W. Douw Alderman of the City of Albany

In regard to these Accounts, the Auditor-General made this statement: "Peter Sim's claim £19.1.10. for Superintending the Salt works I am of opinion ought to be paid".

PRIVATEERS

The documents relating to the Armed Vessels that preyed upon the Commerce of the British, while interesting, are not as complete as might be expected when it is remembered that there were 792 Privateers under the Stars and Stripes which captured or destroyed about 600 of the Enemy's ships; while the Continental Government, with 64 war-vessels, captured only 196. (See E. S. McClay's "History of American Privateers", published in 1900). Indeed, the destruction of British Commerce was so great from this cause that it was a part of every argument, in England, to bring about peace with the Colonies. We might, therefore, expect that the documents would give the history of a large number of the Privateers that were undoubtedly sent out by the State of New York; instead of the bare half dozen that are recorded in a fairly complete manner. The State charged the United States "for the Expence of building and fitting out Armed Vessels for the Defence of the Harbour"; and its bill for Armed Ships was £2715.11.2 1/2, in 1776 and 1777.

The Privateers belonging to this State were under the authority of the Provincial Congress; or of its substitute, the Committee of Safety. On Nov. 4, 1775, the Provincial Congress resolved to employ the "Hamden" pilot boat as a "Spy boat". The Committee of Safety acted as follows, in 1776; Mar. 21, £500. was voted to Capt. William Mercier to enable him to equip the Vessels lately purchased by the Congress and ordered to be fitted out and armed by the Marine Committee; Mar. 19, £430 was appropriated to refund to Capt. Anthony Rutgers for the purchase of a Sloop to be armed "for the defence of the Trade of this & the neighboring Colonies"; Apr. 12, Thomas Randall Esqr was paid £900 "in part of the Monies by advanced for the purchase of an Armed Schooner & Her Arms & outfit"; Oct. 22, £600 was advanced to Capt. Samuel Tudor, one of the Superintendents in charge of the building the Continental Frigates at Poughkeepsie, for rafts of timber. The money was usually advanced by the Marine Committee.

The record of the Sloop "Montgomery" is the most complete. Her armament and complement of men are mentioned in one of her prize accounts, below. The pay-roll commenced Apr. 18, 1776. Nearly all of her cruises were along the shore of Connecticut, and along the Southern shore of Long Island. In July, 1776, she lay off Fire Island.

The Convention of the State of New York To Joseph Hallett Dr.

To Freight of Prize Goods taken by the Sloop Montgomery Wm. Rogers Master from Huntington to New York pr Reuben Johnson			£ 5.13.
July	12	Paid Oliver Webbers for riding Express from New York to Fire Island	3.
		Paid Capt. Rogers	40.
	22d	Paid Jabez Westcott Mariner part of his wages	8.
	24	Paid Thomas Hencock in part of ditto	6.
Augt	5	Paid William Mercier	6. 5. 8
	21	Paid Lionel Baker in part Wages	6. 6. 8
Octr	17	Paid Capt. Rogers	104. 6. 8
		To my Com for receivg storing & delivg sundry Goods to Continental Store Keeper as pr Accot delivd amountg to £1051.15.9 5 pr ct	52.11. 9
		To my Expences in going to New Haven by Order of Convention of New York	15. 9
Novr	28	Paid Samuel Hull	17.11. 4
Decr	4	Paid Peter Colt	128.
		Paid Capt. Rogers	150. 8
			£543.12. 1
Deduct Commissn on Goods deld Continent			52.11. 9
			491 4
To Commn on £491.0.4 at 2 1/2 pr Ct.			12. 5. 6
			£503. 5.10

The Auditor General, Peter T. Curtenius, made this statement regarding another claim:—

Claim of Sarah Rogers, Administratrix, for 8 shares in a prize taken by him (William Rogers) when Capt. of the Privateer Montgomery, a Vessel belonging to the State. The articles taken were Intrenching tools &c which were valued by Joseph Hallett at £1051.15.9 & were delivered by him to Mr. Chevers the Commissary of Military Stores, but the U. S. have never paid the State for them. When I made out the claims of this State against the United States I charged the U. S. with the above Sum, but it was objected to because Mr. Chevers'

rect was not produced. This I acquainted Mr. Hallet of, who said it was Burnt, after which he swore to the delivery. I am of opinion the State ought to pay Capt. Rogers' widow her Share of the Prize money & also the rest of the Crew after deducting £20.7.8 for carting the goods to Huntington.

Dr. Francis Lewis Esqr. his a/c with the State of New York

			Maryt. Curr.	Exch Pr Ct	N. Y. Curr
1777 May 1	To neet Proceeds of Sales of the Schooner Hannah & Cargo as pr account rendd by Luz & Bowley a Baltimore		£11814. 3		
	Sundry Arts taken by Capt. Rogers		129. 2. 9		
			£11943. 5. 9		
	deduct for sundry Expenses	£ 72. 1.3			
	Commissr of Agency at 5 Pr Ct on £11814.3	590.14.3	662.15. 6		
			£11280.10. 3	6 2/3	£12032.11.
	To Hire of the Sloop Montgomery Received from the State of Maryland		175. 8. 9	"	187. 2. 8
1776 Novr 6	To So much Received from Ph. Livingston				£ 299. 4.
1778 Decr 2	To " " " A. B. Bancker	Doll	1000	6 fr 1	66.13. 4
1779 Octr 1 9	To So much Received from Continent Treasury	Doll	8000.	30 fr 1	106.13. 4
					£12692. 4. 4

Cr.		Maryt. Curr.	Exch Pr Ct	N. Y. Curr
1777 May 1	By Capn Wm. Rogers So much Suppld him by Luz & Bowley	£ 754.12. 6		
	So much by Fs Lewis	30.		
	for 2 Pd Linnen	47. 4.		
	Sundry Art. taken by him	94. 6. 9		
		£ 926. 3. 3	6 2/3	987.18.
	By Sundry Articles taken by Capn Rogers for the use of the Crew of Sloop Montgommery	34.16	"	37. 2. 6
	By his Commissr on £10319.11. at 2 1/2 Pr Ct	£ 257.19. 6	"	275. 3. 6

1777 May 1	By the following Articles bought of Margaret Duncan for the Troops of the York Line 25 Ps Coating 615 Yds at 65/	£1992. 5.	
	4 Ps half Tick 132 Yds at 35/	" 231.	
		£2223. 5	£2371. 9. 4
	By Service as Delegate in Congress from 1 Jany 1776 to 23 May 1777, 508 days a 34/		863.12.
	By Service as Delegate in Congress from 1 decr 1777 to 20 Novr 1779 720 days a 34/		1224.
	Ballance due the State		6932.19
			£12692. 4. 4
	To Ballance due the State		£ 6932.19

Upon a full Investigation of the Case of Mr. Francis Lewis, It appears to us, that he was appointed by the late Convention of this State as their Agent to dispose of the Prizes taken by the Privateer Sloop Montgomery commanded by Capt. William Rogers, That in the beginning of the year 1777 Capt. Rogers came into the Port of Baltimore with a Prize Schooner called the Hannah, which together with the Cargo were there Sold under the direction of Mr. Lewis, and the neat Proceeds lodged in his hands for the use of the State and Captors in Continental Money, That Capt. Rogers fitted his Vessel for an other Cruise & that the Moiety due the Captors remained in Mr. Lewis hands waiting for their return to Baltimore, the other Moiety due the State he also retained Subject to the order of Convention, who directed him therewith to purchase Salt for the use of the State, which he endeavoured to do but found it Impracticable, & not receiving any further directions from the Convention how to dispose of the money he Vested fourteen thousand dollars of the money in his hands into Pensylvania Loan Office Certificates & the remaining sum of three thousand three hundred & thirty-two dolls & 3/8 in Continental money Issued in the year 1776 (the proceeds of the prize) remains still into his hands, all which he is ready to pay into the State Treasury — In pursuance therefore of the powers vested in us by the 10th Clause of an Act Authorising the Auditor to Audit Certain Accounts & Claims & for other Purposes therein mentioned, passed the 22d April 1785 — We do determine & direct that Mr. Francis Lewis pay within ten days into the State Treasury the Ballance of the within Account amountg to Six thousand nine hundred & thirty two pounds 19/ in the following Species of Certificates and money Vizt

12 Certificates Issued out of the Pensylvany Loan Office of 1000 dolls Each dated the 24th Decr 1778 is	12000	
1 ditto dated Jany 25 1779	1000	
1 ditto Nov 13 1779	1000	
	14000 at 8/	£5600.
3332 & 3/8 dolls in Continentl Money at 8/—		1332.19
		£6932.19

Given under our hands this Second of March One thousand Seven hundred & Eighty Seven.

Comfort Sands
Wm. Denning
Henry Remsen [Auditors]

In Committee of Safety for the Colony of New York during the Recess of Congress New York Septr. 15th 1775.

Ordered that Messrs Jacobus Van Zandt Henry Remsen and Lewis Pintard be a Committee to employ a Vessell and dispatch her with proper directions to purchase Gunpowder & Arms — And ordered that those Gentlemen be supplied with four Thousand pounds by Peter Van Brugh Livingston Esquire Treasurer of the Congress of this Colony, for that purpose. And ordered that those Gentlemen Give directions to purchase Musquets and not more than seven hundred if powder can be obtained & to invest the residue of the Money in Gunpowder and if Muskets are not to be obtained then to lay out the whole Money in Gunpowder — If no Gunpowder is to be had that they direct the whole money to be laid out in Musketts — If neither Gunpowder or Musketts are to be obtained that they direct the whole money to be laid out in Saltpetre — If Salt petre cannot be purchased That they direct Twenty Tons of Lead to be purchased and the residue of the money invested in 2 1/2 & 3 point Blanketts fit for a Soldier to cover himself with or wrap himself in — and if Blanketts cannot be procured that they direct the Money to be Invested in such Coarse Wollens as are fit for Soldiers Coats, the Cloths to be blue brown or Drab Colours — And ordered that a Certified Copy of this Entry be a sufficient Warrant to the said Peter Van Brugh Livingston Esqr. as Treasurer as aforesaid to deliver to the Gentlemen before named the Sum of four Thousand pounds for the purposes above mentioned. John McKesson Secry

Recd September 22d 1775, from Peter Van Brugh Livingston Esqr. by the hands of Gerard Bancker four thousand Pounds in full for the above Order. Jacobus Van Zandt.

May 31st. 1776 Recd from Mr. Jacobus Van Zandt Capt. John Harrison's Receipt for the within Mentioned four thousand which was Shipt by him. Gerard Bancker.

In provincial Congress — New York October 21st 1775.

Present Nathaniel Woodhull Esquire President &c

The Congress then proceeded to hear the proceedings of the Committee of Safety on the Afternoon of the 15th September last.

On reading the order appointing Jacobus Van Zandt Lewis Pintard & Henry Remsen a Committee for the purpose therein mentiond & to furnish them with £4000, the Congress requested Information what was done with the money & what contract was made for Importing the articles mentiond in that order.

The Congress was then Informed by Mr. Vanzandt that the £4000 is sent out on the Account & risque of the provincial Congress, and whatever profits arise on Said Goods the Congress are to have the benefit of — That a Vessel is Chartered by Messrs Jacobus Van Zandt Henry Remsen & Lewis Pintard to go to Sundry places to obtain those Goods for the Sum of £550 Sterling, payable on delivery of the said Goods in any place within particular Limits for that purpose mentioned in the Charter party But that in case of her being Seized or taken on the Voyage the owner of the Vessel is to receive £300 Sterling for her. That the Vessel is to lay 40 working days to receive her Cargo, after which she is to receive 40/ Sterg pr day Demurage — That whatever room may be in the Vessel after the goods ordered by the freighters for the Benefit of this Congress are laded on board, the Owner or Owners of the Vessel have the Liberty to fill up with any goods on their own account without any deduction from the freight agreed for.

John McKesson late Secy of the Provincial Congress.

Dr. The Provincial Congress of State of New York in a/c with Jacobus Van Zandt.

1775			
Octor	14	To the amount of Invoice, Shiptd pr Sloop Nancy John Harrison master bound to Bordeoux and Consigned to Messr David Gradis & Fils, Merchs there as pr Acct A	£4100. 0. 0

1776			
Decenbr	31	To ditto of ditto of Cargo Shiptd pr Ship Rosomond Write Southgate Mastr — bound to Mercellious Consigned to Mr. James Van Zandt Merch on board, as pr Account B	£2738. 5
June	6	To Ballance due to James Van Zandt for his Commissions as pr Acct Current C	270. 0. 8
		To my Attendence fiting out the Priveteer Schooner Genl. Putman in april 1776, on Acct. of Provincial Congress	25. 0.
		To 2 pr Swiffle Guns supplyd at £8 pr	16. 0. 0
		To postage of sundry letters	1.10. 2
		To 15 days Warfage of Priveteer Mongomery 3/	2. 5.
		To postage letters from Saml Curson	1. 6. 8
			£7154. 8. 3

Cr.

1775			
Sepr	22	By Cash of Peter V. B. Livingston Treasurer	£4000. 0. 0
1776			
March	8	By ditto of ditto	167.19.
Decemb	3	By ditto of ditto	2500. 0. 0
		Ball due to Jacobus Van Zandt Carried to New Account	486. 9. 3
			£7154. 8. 3
1776			
Decemb	31	To Balle due from above	486. 9. 3

P. S. Interest due on Same till paid this is Exclusive of Sloop Nancey which is to be left to Genl Assembly — for £600 — more

New York Decembr 31, 1776 Errors Exceeptd

Jacobus Van Zandt

Copy of a Memorandum Recd of Jaco Vanzandt

The £4000 was Exchanged for Silver gold and bills of Exchange & Shipt by Jacobus Vanzandt & Co on board the Sloop Nancy John Harrison Mastr by order of the Provinl Congress for Bourdoux which Silver, gold, & bills of Exchange was Invested into a quantity of gun powder and Cloathing for the use of the Army, which Said goods did arive Safe in Rhode Island by way of St. Eustatia in a Brig Jn Lawrence master & put into the hand of Danl Tillinghast at Providence, and who dispatc^t the Same by land to fish Kill whare it was put in the public Stores to Mr Harper one of the Clothing Committee as appers by his accts for their use except 3000 lb of gunpowder which Cap^n Harrison did dispose of at St. Eustatia to one Cap^n Isaac Caton of Charles Town So Carolina at the rate of 5/ N. York Curry pr lb amounting to £750 which Sum Cap^n Harrison has accounted for, and also 70 Bar^ls of pouder Cap^n Harrison Shipt without any orders, to the Committee of Safety of South Carolina which Said Committee or State of South Carolina are I believe indebted to the State of N York as pr Acct Vizt —

70 Barls of gun powder each contg 100 lb making 7000 lb at 5/ N. Y. Cury pr pound as pr agreement as the rest Sold to Capn Isaac Caton & which 70 barls of gun powder was shipt by John Harrison (out of Said Sloop Nancey's Cargo at St. Eustatia) on board a Vessel called the Swift Charles Morgan Master bound to So. Carolina & Consigned to Said Committee of Safety as pr bill lading for the same amounting to in N. York Currency £1750. 0.

N. B. the 70 Barls powder arrived Safe into Charles Town So. Carolina

The Committee of Safety of So. Carolina must account with us for 70 whole Barls powder Capn Harrison Ship them from St. Eustatia on our Congress Acct the freight of which was Conditionally. If goods were admitted to be Exported from South Carolina to the amount of the powder. In that case we were to allow them no freight — If no goods were allowd to be Exported a reasonable freight was to be allowed on acct of Capn Harrison sparing Some powder to Capn Isaac Catan, the Vessels name was Swift & the Master Charles Morgan

The Sloop was afterward captured by the Enemy; and the owners, in 1779, sent a bill of £1443.16. 8 to the State, which was ordered paid in December 1786.

Capt. John Harrison New York 5 August 1776.

Sir

As neither Mr. Vanzandt nor Mr. Pintard are in Town, I have to request you will without delay proceed to Providence in Rhode Island & take charge of the Blankets Cloths & linnens which you left there in the care of Saml Tillinghast Esqr. The risque of transporting them by Water from Providence is too great in the Opinion of our Honl Convention particularly as they are articles much wanted, and I am directed to order that they should be transported by land to Norwich & from thence to New York by water, unless you receive information Of the Enemies Ships or Cruizers being in the Sound, in which case the Goods must be left in a safe store at Norwich until you have farther Orders. You will have them Carried, if possible, in Covered Waggons to prevent damage by Rain, and keep an Exact account of the Charges. on your arrival at Norwich with the Goods, send advice (directed to Vanzandt & Self) by Post, & inform by What Vessel you intend shipping the Goods, that in case the Convention should order them to any other place than this City, we may have a boat laying in the Sound near West Chester with Farther orders. you will also bring with you the small Private concern of the Owners, if the same is at Providence, but if at New Haven, advise (on receipt of this) in Whose hand it lays, & leave directions to deliver the same to our Order during your absence. I am for Messrs Vanzandt Pintard & Self

Sir

Your Most Obedt Servt

Henry Remsen

P. S. I have not time to write Mr. Tillinghast. please inform him that I wrote last Week by a Sloop, Copy I order'd my Clerk to send by Post. Inclosed you have order for the Goods.

The Council of Safety, Apr. 17, 1776, ordered £200. paid to Capt. William Mercier for his expenses in fitting out the Sloop. Messrs Lux and Bowly, of Baltimore, Mar. 22, 1777, acknowledged the receipt of £361. 4, Current Money, from "William Rogers Esqr, Commander of the Sloop Montgomery * * * which said Sum is left in our Hands by him, as he is now bound to Sea on a Cruise against the Enemies of America".

Before June, 1776, the "Montgomery" had taken these six prizes:— Sloop "Charlotte", Brig "Pembroke", Brig "Speedwell", Schooner "Hiram", Ship "Crawford", and Sloop "Nancey".

The Sloop Charlotte a Prize taken by the Schuyler & Montgomery in June 1776 in a/c Curt with Danl Tillinghast

Dr.			Cr.
1776	To Charges & Expences &c		16. 9. 0
	To pd Obed Bunker pr Ordr the judges for Sails		66. 4. 2 1/2
	To the Sherefs Commission at 1 pr Cent	5. 0. 5	
	To the Judges Fees &c pr Recpt	33. 0. 1	38. 0. 6
	To the Balla divided betwixt the Schuyler & Montgomery		381. 4. 6 1/2
			501.18. 3
	Cr.		
	By the Amount of Sales of the Vessel & Her Cargo		501.18. 3

Sloop Montgomery	44 men			
To 6 Carriage Guns	6			
12 Swevells	6	56		£201. 8 1 1/2
Sloop Schuyler	42 men			
6 Carriage Guns	6			
4 Swevells	2	50	£179.16. 5 1/2	
2/3ds the Continents part			119.17. 7 1/2	
1/3 the Captors pd Jared Miles		£56. 0. 3		
My Commission on £78.11. 0 being the Captors part of the Gross Sales at 5 pr Cent		3.18. 6 1/2	59.18.9 1/2	
				179.16. 5
				£381. 4. 6 1/2

Cr.

By the Ballance to be proportioned between the Schuyler & Montgomery £381. 4. 6 1/2

Providence 11 February, 1777, Errors Excepted Daniel Tillinghast.

The "Nancy" was used in the American service after her capture.

In 1776, the "Montgomery" also took the "Blue Mountain Valley", which was carried to Elizabethtown Point. On July 5, 1777, Eliphalet Wood acknowledged the receipt of $30. from Joshua Rogers, "being for one Quarter part of all My Prize Money due from the Sloop Montgomeria Late Commanded by William Rogers"

Early in 1777, the Schooner "Hannah" was taken by the "Montgomery"; and the cargo was sold, in Baltimore, Feb. 5. The cargo consisted of Cheese, Ale, Port Wines, Handkerchiefs, Stockings, Spices, Linen, Shoes, Beef, Pork and Peas; of which Col. Richard Henry Lee bought two hampers of Port Wine. The net proceeds of the sale were £8684.13. 1 1/2. The prizes taken by the "Montgomery" were audited at £6933., in 1787.

An Account of the Cost of the Sloop "Schuyler", James Smith Master.

1776			
January	23	Paid Col. McDougel for the Sloop	£325. 0. 0
Febry	26	Paid Capt. James Smith his Accot of Outfit	248. 0.10
April	17	Paid do portledge Bill &c &c.....	268.12. 6 1/2
		Paid do. do. do	124. 9. 2
March	4	Paid do on Accot of Seamen's Wages	50. 0. 0
	12	Paid Chr Duyckink for Sails.....	17.19. 0

The Provincial Congress, March 2, 1776, advanced to Capt. James Smith for wages of the Seamen and Marines and for Arms and Appurtenances, £50. The Committee of Safety seemed to have charge of the Sloop, in 1777. Her armament and complement of men will be found in the account of the "Montgomery", above.

The Committee of Safety, Dec. 4, 1776, named Victor Bicker, jr., Lieut of Marines for the Sloop "Congress", directed him to enlist 30 Marines for the same term as the other Conti-

nental Troops, and declared it to be their duty to guard the "Congress" and "Montgomery" "and such other Vessels and Stores, belonging to the Continent, as may be laid up with them". The "Congress" had taken six prizes before June, 1776; and the cargoes were landed at Huntington, Long Island.

The Schooner "General Putnam", formerly the "Betsey", was fitted out, on account of the Provincial Congress, in April, 1776. As the "Betsey", it had been sold by Paul Mersereau to the State, Apr. 17, 1776 for £245. It was a Vessel of 27 tons, and it carried 5 Swivel Guns. The men were enlisted at once; and there was a large amount of grog in the outfit. The Council of Safety, Nov. 5, 1776, ordered an accounting of the expenses and the discharge of the Crew.

The Committee of Safety, Jan. 14, 1777, advanced to Capt. Robert Castle £80 for the maintenance of the Armed Sloop "Camden", "fitted out by Order of the Secret Committee for obstructing the Navigation of Hudson's River & for protecting the same against the Depredations of the Enemy". The owners stated that, about June 1, 1777, the Sloop was taken by the State, dismantled and sent down the river from Albany to form a part of the Fleet Prison. In settling the accounts, the Auditor-General seemed to think that there had been two Ships of this name. (See "Ships"; and the Fleet Prison, in "British Prisoners of War".)

An account of the expenses in securing a Prize, near Long Island, June 16, 1776, amounted to £32.10. 0. A Prize brought to Fire Island July 10, 1776, had a cargo worth £1071.15.9, which was sent to the Continental Store Keeper, by order of Gen. Washington.

The documents merely mention these Privateers, and their Captains who were appointed by the Council of Appointments:—"Fox", Samuel Hunt; "Greyhound", Joshua Rogers; "Independence", James Howlet; "Porpoise", James Vincent; "Ranger", Wm. Smith Scudder; "Refugee", Titus Conklin; "Resolution", Valentine Ryder; "Retaliation", John Ingraham; "Revenge", Daniel Griffin; "Shark", Frederick Donaldson; "Suffolk", Nathaniel Hortonson.

Occassional mention is made of the British Ships-of-War "Senegal", "Asia", "Phenix", and "Duchess of Gordon"; also, of the Privateer "Dragoon".

SHIPS

On June 2, 1775, Henry Remsen, Lewis Pintard, Thomas Marston and Jacobus Lefferts, a Committee appointed by the Provincial Congress, borrowed £3987.14. 0. on subscription; and, on the same date, they hired the Sloop "Harlequin", and sent it after Powder. The loan was repaid, Sept. 1, 1775, the subscribers declining to receive interest. The Provincial Congress, June 12, 1775, sent the Sloop "Bishop of Landaff", Capt. Snell, on a voyage to the Windward Islands "for the use of the Continental Army laying before Boston". On Oct. 17, the Congress authorized Jacobus Van Zandt to purchase this Sloop of Francis James, and others, for £496; and, Apr. 26, 1776, the Treasurer of the Congress received £425 from Jacobus Van Zandt for the sale of the Sloop to Francis Randal.

The Committee of Safety, on Jan. 24, 1776, appointed Capt. Wm. Mercier to superintend and inspect the lading of all Vessels in the Port of New York. The Committee, Apr. 17,

ordered £650. paid to Comfort Sands for the Sloop "Sally", Wilkie Dodge late Master; and £500. for the Schooner "Polly", Matthew Van Alstyne Master "which was insured at that Price by Mr. Sands on Account of this Colony".

See Voucher	The State of New York To Comfort Sands	Dr.
313	To my Commission on 3 Cargoes of Provision shipt by Order of the Provincial Congress in Jany 1776 on board the Sloop James Richd Puller Master, ditto in the Schooner Polly Matthew Van-alstyne Master & the Sloop Sally Wilkie Dodge Master amounting in the whole to £3186.17.8p at 2 1/2 pr Cent which is allowed me by the house of Assembly See Journals of the house March 31 1784 page 99	£79.13. 5
	Audited Augt 16, 1784 (Paid Jan. 11, 1785)	

The "Sally" in July and August, 1776, carried the Poor up the Hudson River from New York City. The Council of Safety, May 9, 1777, ordered Capt. Charles Sprainger to produce his accounts against the Brig "Mary", which had been taken up the River to Peekskill. The total of the Accounts was £148. 6. 0. Sampson Dyckman had a bill of £68.5.4, Nov. 15, 1780, for the hire of his Sloop "William Henry"— 32 days, at 8d. per day, per ton.

In discussing the Claims of this State against the United States, the Auditor-General stated that there were several "For the purchase of Vessels & Cargoes sent out to procure Arms, Ammunition & Cloathing for the use of the Army, several of which were taken". The Auditor-General also made these comments:—

Gilbert Pell £127.18 for timber taken to build Gondolas. These vessels were built by order of the Commander-in-Chief & not by the orders of the Provnl Congress & therefore no claim against the State.

Theophilus Anthony £8.17.4 for Sundries deliv'd to defend the Continent'l Frigates that were built at Poughkeepsie.

The Continental Frigates were built previous to Aug. 16, 1776.

An a/c of Gilbert Pell for £127.18.0 for timber taken from his ship yard in the Out ward of New York City just before the British took possession of the city in 1776. The a/c is made out to Thomas Cheeseman, Benjamin Ayres and Thomas Dodge who directed the building of Gondolas and Row Galleys. Pell petitioned the legislature in 1790; but was referred to the United States as the State never built any such boat in New York but the United States did.

In the final Accounts against the United States the following items appear under the head of "Naval Stores":—

41 Cr 2 gr 15 lb	Oakum	£107. 4. 4
151 ps	Pitch	197.16. 0
7 ps	Tarr	5. 8. 0
23 Cr	Cordage	223.11. 5 1/2
1371	Oars	318. 6. 0
8 ps	Turpentine	27. 0. 0
	different Articles	22. 3. 4
		£ 901. 9. 1 1/2

Rope for the Ships was made by Capt. Anthony Rutgers and Christopher Tappen, "a Committee for erecting a rope-walk in Kingston". The Committee of Safety ordered the rope-walk built, early in 1777. Timber was bought of Col. Henry Van Rensselaer, Elias Hasbrouck and Lawrence Van Gaasbeck. The Auditor-General made this comment on the claim for nails:—

Evert Bogardus' claim for making 325 lb. nails amounting to £12.3.9. I have examined the Account of C. Tappen & Capt. Rutgers who were appointed to Superintend the Rope walk & find this acct. not charged, & therefore I am of opinion he ought to be paid but not the whole sum because I think 9d p: lb. for making nails when the nail rods were found him is too much.

The Accounts of Messrs. Rutgers and Tappen amounted to £3634, from May 9, to Sept. 6, 1777. Large amounts of Hemp seed were purchased and given to the neighboring farmers. Some of it came from New Jersey. William Allison (then Captain, afterward Colonel) received £1000., May 9, 1777, to buy Hemp in Orange County; and it was kept, temporarily, in his store at New Windsor. When Kingston was burned, Oct. 16, 1777, the rope-walk was destroyed; and there is no evidence in the documents to show that it was rebuilt.

Ships were also used to obstruct the channels of the East River and the North River. In July, 1776, the Convention voted £5000. to the following:— Robert R. Livingston, Robert Yates, Christopher Tappen, John Jay, William Paulding and Gilbert Livingston "a Secret Committee to obstruct the Navigation of the Hudson River". The Committee met in New York City, June 19, to Aug. 17, 1776. In September, of that year, several Ships were sunk near Fort Washington, by order of the Commander-in-Chief. In October, the Committee paid £328.3.11 to Samuel Tudor for cutting timber. The Committee also paid £819.18.0 to Christopher Leffingwell for a Brig. The State paid £500. to Jesse Hunt for the Sloop "N. Y. Packet" to obstruct the channel of the East River; but, before it could be used, it was burned by the British. On Nov. 6, 1776, Patrick Dennis was paid £500. for obstructing the East river. In March, 1777, several anchors and cables were taken from Ships near the city of New York. The Committee expended about £15000. from 1777 to 1779.

The Secret Committee, in 1776, paid £400. for the Brig "Nancy", to obstruct the Hudson River. It had charge, also, of the "Camden" and other Armed Sloops, for the same purpose. The Committee of Safety, Jan. 14, 1777, voted £80. to Capt. Robert Castle for subsisting the "Camden" in obstructing the channel of the Hudson River. The following comments were made by the Auditor-General in relation to the Claims against the United States for the use of these Ships:—

The Sloops Hudson & Cambden (formerly the Ann & Bradstreet) were two armed vessels fitted out by the Secret Committee to protect the Inhabitants on the Banks of the Hudson against the British Tenders, the first was delivd to the Quarter Master & the latter was taken by the Enemy when Fort Montgomery was taken — this is proved by the Certificates of Gilbert Livingston & Christor Tappans late members of the Secret Committee.

The Sloop Schuyler (formerly the Sally) was fitted out for acct of the United States & the Command given to Capt. Pond.

These vessels were Sent down & Sunk in the Chanel of the North River opposite Fort Washington this is proved by the Certificate of Gilbert Livingston late member of the Secret Committee & by the Affidavt of Major Biches now delivd up

The Sloops Ann, Bradstreet, Mary Ann & Clinton acct for by the Certificates of Gilbert Livingston & Chrisr Tappan late members of the Secret Committee.

The Accounts of the other members of the Secret Committee will be found in the Chapter on "Fortifications". For further information regarding Ships, see the Chapters on "Privateers"; "Powder"; "The Refugees from Long Island to Connecticut"; and the Fleet Prison, in "British Prisoners of War".

THE CIVIL SERVICE

THE JUDICIARY

COURTS AND JUDGES

In Colonial and Provincial times, the Governor of New York enacted, interpreted and enforced all of the laws. He virtually enacted, under the Colony, because he had a veto or an approval upon the work of the representative bodies, subject always to the will of the Crown. The first Constitution of the State, 1777, deprived him of the supreme judicial function, and vested it in the Lieutenant Governor and Senate, and the Chancellor and Justices of the Supreme Court. The same Constitution also established the Court for the Trial of Impeachments and the Correction of Errors, which was abolished by the Constitution of 1846.

The Court of Admiralty was established by the Dutch. Under the supremacy of the English, its jurisdiction extended to Connecticut and New Jersey, as well as to New York. As the Revolutionary War approached, in 1774, the Judge, Richard Morris Resigned on account of his sympathy with the Colonists. Lewis Morris was appointed Judge, July 31, 1776; and Lewis Graham, Aug. 5, 1776. On the former date, the Convention appointed John McKesson, Register; and Robert Benson, Marshal. Thomas Ludlow, jr., had been appointed Marshal, in 1775. These were the only appointees who held office, in this Court, during the War.

The Court of Chancery, originating in the Duke's Laws, was recognized by the Constitution of 1777. Robert R. Livingston was appointed Chancellor by the Convention, May 8, 1777; was commissioned Oct. 13, of that year; and was re-elected, June 27, 1783, because it was doubtful if he had not vacated his office by accepting from Congress the office of Secretary of Foreign Affairs. Among the documents in this Office there is one showing that, on Aug. 13, 1783, the State Treasurer sent an order on the Governor for £200 in specie on account of the Salary of Robert R. Livingston, as Chanceller; and receipt of the same was acknowledged by John R. Livingston Aug. 16, 1783.

The Supreme Court was established, in 1691, soon after the occupation by the English. It was recognized by the Constitution of 1777; and reorganized May 3, of that year. The Judges were appointed by the Council of Appointment. During the Revolutionary War, and for many years afterward, the Court consisted of a Chief Justice and two Associate Justices. John Jay and Richard Morris were Chief Justices from May 8, 1777, to the end of the War; and

Robert Yates, as Chief Justice, signed many of the State documents at a later date. Robert Yates and John Sloss Hobart were Puisne Justices during the War.

The State of New York to Jno. Sloss Hobart Dr.

1778			
April	18	To my attendance on the Court of Oyer and Terminer in Dutchess County from the 13th inclusive, 60 Days @ 40/	£12. 0. 0
	22d	To 4 Days going to Albany at 40/	8. 0. 0
May	12	To my attendance on the Court of Oyer and Terminer in Albany County from the 4th inclusive, 9 Days a 40/	18. 0. 0
	14	To 2 Days returning home a 40/	4. 0. 0
	25	To 1 Day going to Poughkeepsie a 40/	2. 0. 0
	30	To my attendance on the Court of Oyer and Terminer in Dutchess County from the 26th inclusive 5 Days a 40/	10. 0. 0
June	2	To 3 Days returning home a 40/	6. 0. 0
Octr	20	To 2 Days going to Albany a 80/	8. 0. 0
		To my attendance on the Court of Oyer and Terminer in Albany County 17 Days a 80/	68. 0. 0
		To 3 Days returning a 80/	12. 0. 0
Decr	22	To 11 Days going to and returning from Goshen on Commission of Oyer and Terminer a 80/	44. 0. 0
	31	To 3 Days going to Goshen a 80/	12. 0. 0
1779			
Jany	13	To my attendance on the Court of Oyer and Terminer in Orange	
Jany	13	County from the 1st inclusive 13 Days a 80/	52. 0. 0
	19	To 5 Days going to Albany a 80/	20. 0. 0
			£276. 0. 0

Feby 22d 1779 Errors excepted Jno. Sloss Hobart.
[Audited Mar. 6; and paid Nov. 19, 1779]

Rec'd in several payments from Gerard Bancker, Treasurer, the amount of the salary allowed me as One of the Puisne Justices of the Supreme Court of this State for my services from the first Monday in July 1779 to the first Monday in July 1780, pursuant to a Law passed the 1st July 1780 entitled "An Act for the payment of the several Officers of Government and of certain Debts due from this State," which Salary is three hundred and fifty pounds of the New Emitted Money equal to fourteen thousand pounds of the Old Continental Money in Circulation.

Albany Jan'y 14th 1781
£350. Robert Yates —

State of New York in Account with John McKesson Esqr

Dr	To Amot. of Costs of Prosecutions in Supreme Court as Per Accot. No. 1.	£ 548:16: 3
	To Amot. of Costs of Prosecutions in Court Oyer & Terminer as Pr. Account No. 2	1077:14: 0
	To Costs on Indictments on Confiscation Law	2020:19: 0
	To Travelling Charges	223: 6: 8
	To Counsel Fees on Indictments drawn by him on Confiscation Law	147:18: 0
		£ 4018:13:11
Cr.	By the Appraised value of a certain House conveyd to him, pursuant to an Act of the Legislature	1750: 0: 0
	Ballance due John McKesson	2268:13:11
		£ 4018:13:11

To Gerard Bancker Esqr Treasurer of the State of New York —

We the Subscribers in pursuance of the Act entitled "An Act for the payment of the Salaries of the Officers of Government & other contingent Charges passed the twenty first Day of April last, have this day liquidated & settled the Accounts of John McKisson Esquire the Clerk of the Supreme Court for his services both as Clerk of the Supreme Court, and as Clerk of the Courts of Oyer & Terminer & Goal Delivery in Prosecutions on behalf of the People of the State of New York against Persons for having adhered to the Enemies of this State & in other prosecutions on behalf of the People of the State of New York and do hereby Certify that after deducting the Sum of One Thousand Seven Hundred & Fifty Pounds being the appraised Value of a certain Messuage or Dwelling House with the Hereditaments & Appurtenances — situate on the South Side of Queens Street in the East Ward of the City of New York conveyed to him by the Commissioners of Forfeitures for the Southern District in pursuance of an Act entitled "An Act for the Speedy Sale of all confiscated and forfeited Estates within this State & for other purposes therein mentioned" there is due to the said John M^c-Kisson Esquire for his Services as aforesaid, a Balance of Two Thousand Two Hundred & Sixty Eight Pounds thirteen shillings & Eleven Pence Current Money of the State of New York —

Given under our Hands this thirteenth day of December 1787

The documents contain very few records of the transactions of the several Courts. Indeed, there is little of interest aside from the orders of the Governor to pay the salaries of the Judges. The documents, however, run far beyond the end of the War, and many important papers, containing testimony, orders &c, are signed by Judges and Justices.

THE LEGISLATIVE

THE PROVINCIAL CONGRESSES

The New York Colonial Assembly or "General Assembly", after an existence of 92 years, adjourned Apr. 3, 1775, and never again convened. It was succeeded by the **First Provincial Congress** on May 22, 1775. The Delegates were elected under the Articles of Association. The refusal to vote was sufficient to classify a man as a Non-Associate, and his Arms were at once taken from him. The vote was taken by Counties, a majority of the Counties forming a quorum. No matter how many Delegates a County had, its vote was fixed at a certain number. Gloucester had one vote; Albany, three; New York, four; and the remaining Counties, two votes each. The three Sessions of this Congress were held in 1775, in the City of New York, as follows:— May 22 to July 8; July 26 to Sept. 2; and Oct. 4 to Nov. 4. Just before the adjournment of July 8, the Committee of Safety was appointed (See the Chapter on "The Committee of Safety").

This Congress, on Oct. 17 and 18, 1775, ordered the payment of £496. for the Pilot-Boat "Bishop of Landaff"; and, on Oct. 21, took action relative to the employment of Vessels by Messrs Pintard, Remsen and Van Zandt.

The following bill was by the printer, James Rivington, who was at first inclined to side with the Enemy; but afterward, was with the Colonists, though not without some distrust on their part. The bill gives a fair sample of the transactions of the Congress in the early days of the War.

Provincial Congress to James Rivington Dr.

1774. Nov^{r}	24th	To advertg the Election of a Committee of 60 Persons for purposes mentioned in the Association.	£ 0.10.0
1775 May	25 —	To Do. Resolves for the Discharge of such money as is now lent &c.	0. 5.0
June	1 —	To Do. No hostilities agt Canadians	0. 5.0
		To Do. recommending to appoint County Committees & Sub-Committees &c	0. 5.0
		To Do. recommending the Inhabitants of the Colony to Arm themselves &c.	0. 5.0
July	6	To Do. the Vessel to go to Newfoundland	0. 5.0
	13	To Do. recommending 20 day of July as a day of fasting &c.	0. 5.0
	21	To Do. Ulster County subscribers recantation	0. 8.0
Augt	10	To Do. Ways & Means of Discharging the debts already contracted &c	0. 5.0
		To Do. a barge to be built for Ship Asia	0. 5.0
	17	To Do. bounty on Gun powder	0. 5.0
		To Do. Ship Asia's barge to be rebuilt	0. 8.0

1775 Augt	17	To Do. forming a Militia	£0.16.0
		To Do. the propriety of exporting flax seed	0. 5.0
Septr	7	To Do. not to assist the Ministerial army and navy	1.17.0
	14	To Do. necessary to detain Capn Wynn	0. 5.0
	28	To Do. Deserters	0. 8.0
Octr	19	To Do. that the Congress be dissolved on the 14 day of November	0.10.0
	26	To Do. touching the election of a future provincial Congress	0. 5.0
			£ 7.17.0

[This Account was Audited Mar. 5, and Paid Mar. 8, 1776]

The First Provincial Congress consisted of the following Officers and Deputies:—

President — Peter Van Brugh Livingston
Presidents Pro Tem.— Nathaniel Woodhull and Abraham Yates*
Vice President — Volkert P. Douw*
Secretaries — John McKesson and Robert Benson
Doorkeeper — Thomas Pettit

Albany
Jacob Cuyler*
Volkert P. Douw*
Henry Glen
Walter Livingston*
Francis Nicoll
Peter Silvester*
Dirck Swart*
Abraham Ten Broeck
Robert Van Rensselaer
Abraham Yates, jr.
Robert Yates*

Charlotte
Archibald Campbell*
William Marsh*
George Smith*
David Watkins*
John Williams*

Cumberland
John Hazeltine*
Paul Spooner*
William Williams*

Dutchess
Dirck Brinckerhoff*
Anthony Hoffman*
Jonathan Landon*
Gilbert Livingston*
Richard Montgomerie*
Ephraim Paine*
Zephaniah Platt*
Nathaniel Sackett*
Gysbert Schenck*
Melancton Smith*

Kings
Nicholas Couwenhoven*
John Leffertse*
Johannis E. Lott*
Theodorus Polhemus*
Jeremiah Remsen*
Richard Stilwell*
John Vanderbilt*
Henry Williams*

New York
James Beekman
Abraham Brasher*
David Clarkson*
John DeLancey*
Walter Franklin*
George Folliott*
Joseph Hallett*
Benjamin Kissam*
Leonard Lispenard*
P. Van Brugh Livingston
Isaac Low*
Alexander McDougall*
John Marston*
Isaac Roosevelt
John Morin Scott
Isaac Sears*
Thomas Smith*
James Van Cortlandt*
John Van Cortlandt
Jacobus Van Zandt
Samuel Verplanck*
Abraham Walton*
Richard Yates*

Orange
William Allison*
Jeremiah Clark*
Peter Clowes*
John Coe*
John Haring*
Michael Jackson*
Abraham Lent*
David Pye*
Isaac Seely*
Benjamin Tusten*
Jesse Woodhull*

Queens
Jacob Blackwell*
Joseph French*
Thomas Hicks*
Jonathan Laurence*
Daniel Rapalje*
Joseph Robinson
Richard Thorne*
Nathaniel Tom*
Samuel Townsend
Zebulon Williams*

Richmond
Richard Conner*
Aaron Cortelyou*
John Tourney*
Richard Lawrence*
Paul Micheau*

Suffolk
John Foster
James Havens*
John Sloss Hobart
Ezra L'Hommedieu
Selah Strong*
Thomas Tredwell*
Thomas Wickham
Nathaniel Woodhull

Tryon
John Marlett*
John Moore
Christopher P. Yates*

Ulster
Charles Clinton*
James Clinton*
Egbert Dumond
Johannis Hardenburgh*
Jacob Hoornbeck*
John Nicholson
Christopher Tappen

Westchester
David Dayton*
Joseph Drake*
Lewis Graham*
Robert Graham*
James Holmes*
Gouverneur Morris
William Paulding*
John Thomas, jr.
James Van Cortlandt*
Philip Van Cortlandt*
Stephen Ward*

The Second Provincial Congress convened, in New York City, Dec. 6, 1775; and adjournment was made on Dec. 22. The Second Session ran from Feb. 12 to Mar. 16, 1776; and the third, from May 8 to May 13. The basis of representation and the manner of voting were

* Does not appear in the documents as a Deputy

those followed in the First Congress. The records show that the Committee of Dutchess County paid the Deputies therefrom 10/— per day for their attendance.

Among the documents relating to this Congress is the following

In Provincial Congress New York Feby. 18th 1776.

Whereas tho' it is in the opinion of this Congress impracticable at present totally to cut off all communication of the Inhabitants of this Colony with the Ships of War now in this Port & the Ship on board of which his Excellency Governor Tryon resides; yet it appears necessary to confine such Communication to certain particular Objects, to the end, that the public service may not be injured by a free and unlimited Intercourse between them and this Colony It is therefore ordered that all Communication between the said Ships of War and all the Inhabitants of this Colony be and hereby is prohibited except upon special Permits to be obtained from this Congress or the Committee of Safety and also except for supplying the said Ships of War respectively with necessary Provisions from time to time for the use & consumption of their respective Crews only under the following Restrictions & Regulations to wit: That no Provisions shall be supplied for their use and Consumption by any other Persons than their respective Agent Victuallers in this City upon Permits to be obtained by them respectively from time to time for the purpose from this Congress or the Committee of Safety; which Provisions shall not in any case be put on board any Boat for such supply as aforesaid at any other Place than the ferry Stairs near the Exchange in this City & that in the presence of a Port Master to be appointed by this Congress or the Committee of Safety who shall carefully inspect the same & compare the Provisions with the Permit and thereupon countersign the said Permit and keep an exact & particular Account of the same to be reported by him to this Congress or the Committee of Safety from time to time when called for. Ordered farther that Mr. Elias Nexcen be and is hereby appointed Port Master for & during the pleasure of this Congress with an allowance at & after the rate of eighteen Dollars & one third of a Dollar per month for so long a time as he shall continue in the said Service. Ordered further that all communication between the said Inhabitants and the said Ship of his Excellency the Governor be & is hereby prohibited except with respect to his Honor the Lieutenant Governor; the Members of his Majesty's Council the Surveyor General the Deputy Secretary of this Colony and his necessary Clerks, and such other Persons as shall from time to time have particular Permits for the purpose from this Congress or the Committee of Safety; and except also such Intercourse as may be necessary for supplying the Governor the necessary Provisions for himself and his family which supplies shall from time to time be sent from the said ferry Stairs and no other place and that in the presence and under the inspection of the said Port Master who shall keep exact & particular Accounts of the same to be reported as aforesaid and except also that the Brewers supply the said three Ships with beer as usual till further Order of this Congress or the Committee of Safety. Robt. Benson Secry.

1776 State of New York to Elias Nexsen ——— Dr.

April 18th To 2 months pay, as port Master, Appointed by the Honbl. Provincial Congress, for Attending with Supplys of Provisions &c. on board his Britanic Majesties Ship of war the Asia Phenix & Dutchess of Gordon Govr. Tryon Ships &c. 2 months pay at 18 1/3 Doll..... £14:13: 4.

[This Account was audited Sept. 30, and paid Oct. 1, 1790]

The Second Congress, according to the documents, took action as follows:— Dec. 19, 1775, the Committee on Vessels reported upon certain articles that could be obtained abroad; same date, the same Committee reported on the Salt Petre that could be purchased; Dec. 19, the same Committee was given directions as to the cargoes of Powder, Muskets, Salt-Petre, Cloth &c that were to be brought from European ports; Mar. 2, 1776, £50 was ordered to be paid to the men of the Sloop "Schuyler"; Mar. 4, voted £40, to Samuel Prince to pay for transporting Continental Gun-Powder to Cambridge; Mar. 8, an appropriation for the wants of the

families of the Soldiers; Mar. 13, appropriations to the several County Committees; Mar. 14, voted £1000 to John R. Livingston for erecting a Powder Mill to be completed within three months, his bondsmen being Isaac Roosevelt, Nathaniel Woodhull and Abraham Yates, jr; May 10, voted £150 to Henry Wisner, jr., for Gun-Powder.

May the 18, 1776 The County of Albany To Francis Nicoll
For his Services attending the provincial Congress in New York these following Days —

From May the 18, 1775 to June the 7, Days	21
From June the 25 to July the 10	16
From September the 10 to October the 8	29
From November the 19 to December the 17	29
From February the 9 to March the 8	27
in all a 10/—	122
Francis Nicoll	£ 61. 0. 0.

[The Albany Committee ordered this account to be paid, June 24, 1776]

The Officers of the Second Provincial Congress were the same who served in the First Congress, except the President and Treasurer. The Deputies to the Second Congress follow the Officers:—

President — Nathaniel Woodhull
President pro tem.— John Haring
Treasurer — Peter Van Brugh Livingston

Albany
John James Bleecker*
Jacob Cuyler*
Leonard Gansevoort*
Henry Glen
Peter R. Livingston
Francis Nicoll
Henry Oothoudt*
Peter Silvester*
Abraham Ten Broeck
Robert Van Rensselaer
Abraham Yates, jr.
Robert Yates*

Charlotte
John Williams*

Cumberland
Paul Spooner*
William Williams

Dutchess
Jacob Everson*
Morris Graham*
Cornelius Humphreys*
John Kaine*
Gilbert Livingston*
Robert G. Livingston*
Beverly Robinson*
Henry Schenck
Petrus Ten Broeck*

Kings
Nicholas Couwenhoven*
John Leffertse*
Theodorus Polhemus*
Rutger Van Brunt*
John Vanderbilt*

New York
Evert Bancker*
James Beekman
Abraham Brasher*
Cornelius Clapper*
William Denning*
Joseph Hallett*
Benjamin Helme*
John Imlay
Benjamin Kissam*
P. Van Brugh Livingston
Gabriel W. Ludlow*
Alexander McDougall*
John Morton*
Samuel Prince
John Ray*
Isaac Roosevelt
Adrian Rutgers*
Anthony Rutgers
Comfort Sands*
John Morin Scott
Isaac Sears*
Thomas Smith*
Isaac Stoutenburgh*
John Van Cortlandt
Theodorus Van Wyck*
Jacobus Van Zandt

Orange
William Allison*
Jeremiah Clark*
Peter Clowes*
Theunis Cuyper*
John Haring*
Ann Hawk Hay*

Queens
(No Delegates)

Richmond
Adrian Bancker*
Richard Lawrence*

Suffolk
Daniel Brown*
David Gelston
John Sloss Hobart
Ezra L'Hommedieu
Selah Strong*
Thomas Tredwell*
Thomas Wickham
Nathaniel Woodhull

Tryon
John Moore
Isaac Paris
William Wills

Ulster
Samuel Brewster*
Matthew Cantine
Andries DeWitt*
Andries Le fever*
Thomas Palmer
Matthew Rea
Henry Wisner
Dirck Wynkoop, jr.

Westchester
Gilbert Drake
Joseph Drake*
Lewis Graham*
Robert Graham*
Ebenezer Lockwood
William Paulding*
John Thomas, jr.*
Pierre Van Cortlandt*
Stephen Ward*

* Does not appear in the documents as a Deputy

The session of the **Third Provincial Congress** was cut short by the threatened advance of the British upon the meeting-place, New York City. May 18 to June 30, 1776, was the limit of its existence. The ratio of representation was changed in this Congress so that the Counties had votes as follows:— Gloucester, one; Charlotte, Cumberland, Kings, Richmond and Tryon, two each; Orange, three; Queens, Suffolk, Ulster and Westchester, four each; Dutchess, five; Albany, six; and New York, eight.

The documents give little of note relating to the transactions of this Congress, except the following:—

The Honorable Provincial Congress Dr. to Samuel Fraunces — New York 14th June, 1776.

To an Entertainment	£ 45. 0. 0
To 6 Dozn & 6 Bottles of Madeira	23. 8. 0
To 2 do & 6 do Port	9. 0. 0
To Porter 45/— Cyder 37/— Spruce 4/6	4. 9. 6
To Sangary 66/— To do 18/— Punch 12/—	4.16. 0
To Madeira 12/— Bitters 3/—	0.15. 0
To Lights 8/— Wine Glasses broken 16/—	1. 4. 6
To 4 Wine Decanters 8/— 2 Water Decanters 14/—	1. 2. 0
To a Chainie Pudding Dish 12/— Tumblers 14/—	1. 6. 0
[This Account was audited and paid, June 25, 1776]	
	£ 91. 1. 0

Fraunces' Tavern, at the corner of Pearl and Broad streets, is still standing. It was here that Washington bade farewell to his officers.

On June 10, 1776, the Congress loaned £1500 to the authorities of the City and County of New York for the purpose of helping the poor.

The Officers of the Second Congress also served in the Third Provincial Congress. The Deputies in the latter were as follows:—

Albany
Matthew Adgate*
John James Bleecker*
Jacob Cuyler*
Leonard Gansevoort*
Henry Glen
Peter R. Livingston
Francis Nicoll
John Tayler
Abraham Ten Broeck
John Ten Broeck
Robert Van Rensselaer
Abraham Yates, jr.
Christopher Yates*
Robert Yates*

Charlotte
William Duer
William Malcolm*
Alexander Webster
John Williams*

Cumberland
Joseph Marsh
John Sessions
Simon Stevens
William Williams

Dutchess
Benjamin Delavergne*
John Field*
Morris Graham*
Anthony Hoffman*
Cornelius Humphreys*
Jonathan Landon*
Gilbert Livingston*
James Livingston*
Robert R. Livingston*
Zephaniah Platt*
Nathaniel Sackett*
Henry Schenck
John Schenck*
Paul Schenck*
James Vanderburgh*
Theodorus Van Wyck*

Gloucester
Jacob Bayley*

Kings
Nicholas Couwenhoven*
Lefferet Lefferts*
John Leffertse*
Theodorus Polhemus*
Jeremiah Remsen*
Rutger Van Brunt*
Jeremiah Vanderbilt*
John Vanderbilt*

New York
Garret Abeel*
John Alsop*
Evert Bancker*
James Beekman
Abraham Brasher*
John Broome*
William Denning*
James Duane*
Daniel Dunscomb
Joseph Hallett*
Robert Harpur*
John Jay*
Francis Lewis*
Philip Livingston*
Abraham P. Lott
Thomas Randall*
Henry Remsen*
Isaac Roosevelt
Anthony Rutgers
Comfort Sands*
John Morin Scott
Isaac Stoutenburgh*
John Van Cortlandt
Jacobus Van Zandt
Peter Pra. Van Zandt

Orange
William Allison*
Peter Clowes*
John Haring*
Archibald Little*
Thomas Outwater*
David Pye*
Isaac Sherwood*
Joshua H. Smith*

* Does not appear in the documents as a Deputy

Roeloff Van Houten*
Henry Wisner

Queens

Jacob Blackwell*
Thomas Hicks*
Abraham Kettletas*
Jonathan Laurence
Waters Smith*
James Townsend*
Samuel Townsend
Cornelius Van Wyck*
John Williams*

Richmond

Richard Conner*
Aaron Cortelyou*
John Journey*
Richard Lawrence*
Paul Micheau*

Suffolk

Daniel Brown*
Thomas Dering
David Gelston
John Sloss Hobart
Ezra L'Hommedieu
Burnet Miller*
William Smith
Selah Strong
Thomas Tredwell*
Thomas Wickham
Nathaniel Woodhull

Tryon

William Harper
John Moore
Benjamin Newkirk*
Isaac Paris
Volkert Veeder*
Christopher P. Yates*

Ulster

Samuel Brewster*
Matthew Cantine
George Clinton*
Charles De Witt
Abraham Hasbrouck
Arthur Parks
Levi Pawling
Matthew Rea
Johannis Snyder*
Christopher Tappen
Henry Wisner

Westchester

Gilbert Drake
Peter Fleming*
Lewis Graham*
Samuel Haviland*
Ebenezer Lockwood
Zebediah Mills
Gouverneur Morris
Lewis Morris*
Jonathan Platt*
Benjamin Smith*
Jonathan G. Tompkins
Pierre Van Cortlandt

The **Fourth Provincial Congress** was the last of the Representative Bodies before the adoption of the first Constitution of the State. It met at White Plains July 9, 1776. On the following day, the name was changed to "The Convention of the Representatives of the State of New York"; and, thenceforth, it was known as **The Convention.** On July 27, the Convention adjourned to meet at Harlem on July 29. The session at Harlem continued until Aug. 29; when, the threatened invasion of the Enemy being close at hand, adjournment was made to Fishkill. The public business was entrusted to the Committee of Safety. The Convention met at Fishkill, Sept. 5 to 7; Sept. 14 to Oct. 5, when the public business was again entrusted to the Committee of Safety; Oct. 15; Dec. 5 and 6; and, on Feb. 11, 1777, adjourned to meet in Kingston. The session at the latter place began Mar. 6; and ended, May 13, 1777. A Constitution for the State was formed, and a Council of Safety was elected to administer the government temporarily. Thus the Fourth Provincial Congress gradually gave way to the newly-created Legislature (See "The Legislature.")

The migratory character of the Convention is shown in the documents relating to the Records of the Officers of that body. As late as March, 1776, the Records were stored, under guard, at the house of Nicholas Bayard, in the Out Ward of the City of New York. As the Enemy occupied the City, and other places to the Northward, the Records were sent to a safe distance inland.

The State of New York to Abraham Hasbrouck, Joseph Gasherie, Christopher Tappen and Dirck Wynkoop — Junr .... Dr

1776		
June 16th	To Riding the Record of the Secretarys office from the Landing in 12 Loads a. 5/—	£ 3. 0. 0
	To Storing the Records from the 16th June 1776 to the 12th October 1777, 69 Weeks a. 8/—	27.12. 0
	To Lodging & Diating Samuel Bayard, Junr, Esq. 69 weeks a 20/—.	69. 0. 0
	To fire wood & Candles for Do	20. 0. 0
	Keeping Mr. Bayard's horse from the 23d June 1776 to the 12th October 1777	33. 0. 0
	Lodging Mr Bayard's Servant from the 23d June 1776 to the 12th October 1777	34. 0. 0

* Does not appear in the documents as a Deputy

1777			
Oct[r]	12th	To Riding the above Records from Kingston to Rochester in 10 Waggons a 24/—	£12. 0. 0
		Providing Waggon and Attending the Removal to Rochester and Delivering the Records Unto Hendricus Hoornbeek, Comfort Sands & Johannis G. Hardenbergh, Esq[r], According to a Resolve of the Council of Safety for said State of New York	3. 0. 0
[This account was paid Dec. 31, 1777]			£ 191.12. 0

1776		The Convention of the State of New York To Gerard Bancker Dr.		
June	30	To Cash pd. for a Box to put in the Vouchers	£ 1:	
		a lock for ditto		4:
		pd for a Money Chest with Clasps		1: 4:
		pd Bayley for making a Strong Lock		16:
		pd freight for Chests &c. from N.York to Tarry Town		12:
		pd for a barrel in N. Y. & Cartage		6:
July	25	To my Service as Clerk to the Auditor from the 9th to 25th July — 17 days at 6/		5: 2:
Sept.	25	To my Expences in going after differ[t]. persons in W. Chester Co. who had delivered the Pork to Comm[y]. Trumble for their Rect. and afterwards to Mr. Trumble for Money — 5 Days, including horse hire		3: 0:
Oct[r].	15	To my Expence in going part of the way to Philad[a] after money in Company with Col. Birdsale & bearing his Expences, including my horse hire and ferriages		2:16: 0
Octobr.	28	To my Expences in going to Joseph Paulding's after Mr. Curtenius's papers — 3 Days		1:16:
				£ 16:16: 0

The difficulty of securing the attendance of many of the Deputies is shown by the two documents following:—

In Convention of the Representatives of the State of New York-Fishkill December 21st 1776.

Whereas the Condition of this State, invaded and surrounded by numerous Enemies, required the constant sitting of Convention for the dispatch of the public Business, and

Whereas the Enemy have possessed themselves of Long Island, Richmond County and the City & County of New York; And it is out of the power of the Committees of those Counties to provide for the support of their respective Representatives, who being driven from their Habitations and deprived of their Estates, are the less able to Subsist at their own private Expense, while they are burthened with the accumulated Charge of maintaining their Families and attending on the Business of the State.

Resolved, therefore, that this Convention will advance on the Credit of the said respective Counties the allowances heretofore given to the Representatives of the said Counties in Convention, and which are in Arrear since the fourteenth day of May last. And to the Representatives of the City and County of New York, ten shillings per day, respectively; such allowance to be computed from the time the Convention removed to the White Plains.

Resolved that the Said Allowance be made on the Certificate of the President or Vice President of the Convention, or of the Chairman of the Committee of Safety, and that the Treasurer pay the same on such Certificate accordingly.

Resolved that the sums allowed and paid to such Representatives be charged to the Account of the City and Counties which they respectively Represent.

A true copy from the Minutes of the Convention —

Attest James Livingston Chairman of the Committee of Safety

John McKesson Secr'y — January 16th 1777

In Convention of the Representatives of the State of New York, Kingston May 9th 1777.

Whereas the County of Queens, being now in the Power of the Enemy, it hath become impracticable to assemble a County Committee therein:

Therefore on Application of the Deputy of the said County for Money to defray the Wages due to the Deputies of the said County:—

Ordered that the Treasurer of this State pay to the Deputies of Queens County, or either of them, on Account of the County of Queens to be accounted for by the said County to this State, and for the Disposition whereof the said Deputy or Deputies shall be held to Account with the said County, the sum of Two hundred Pounds on Account of the Wages due to the Deputies who have been elected and represented that County —

£200. Attest By Order.

Rob't Benson, Secr'y — Abm Ten Broeck President

Recd, May 13th 1777, from P. V. B. Livingston by the hands of Gerard Bancker two hundred pounds pursuant to the above Order — Jon'n Laurence

The Officers and Deputies were paid, as follows.

The State of New York To Robt. Benson Dr.

To his Services as Secretary to the Convention from the 14th May 1776 to the 1st Day of Augt. 1777 inclusive — is 443 Days at 20/ pr Day.....		£ 443:
Disbursements by Order of Convention & Committee of Safety — to wit —		
To an Indigent Person by Order of the Committee of Safety	£ 1: 4:—	
To Capt. Man with Dispatches to the Albany Militia	2:— —	
To 12lb. Candles	12:—	
To Major Tappen for his Expences in escorting Lady Johnson to Wallkill	1:14: 9	
To Gouverneur Morris for so much by him pd. to an Express & the printers Boys	3: 4:—	
To John Sickles for riding Conventions Chest of Papers &c. from Harlem to Fort Washington	1: 4:—	
To James Weeks for the Hire of his Horse for Pat. McCloskey an Express from contl. Congress to the eastern States	1:10:—	
To Postage	5: 9	11:13:6
		£ 454:13:6

[Robert Benson received pay for this claim, Aug. 6, 1777]

The County of Suffolk to William Smith one of the Deputies of the said County at Convention..... Dr.

To attending Convention from the eighth day of July to the Twenty first day of September 1776 both days included, is Days	75
To the like attendance from the seventh day of Octr 1776 to the Twenty fourth day of January 1777, both days included, is Days	109
To one Day travelling to Blooming Grove, vizt — the 22d of September, and one day in returning, vizt on the sixth day of October, for which I charge my County as I could not go to my Family & went there for Necessaries Days	188

As Chairman of the Committee of Safety I do hereby certify the above Account of the Attendance of William Smith, Esqr, on Convention. And the Treasurer of the State of New York is hereby required to pay to the Said William Smith, Esquire, as one of the Representatives of Suffolk County in Convention One hundred Eighty Eight Dollars for his Attendance at Convention and Time of Travelling on the Times above mentioned taking his receipt for the same. And the said Treasurer is further required to charge the same One hundred & Eighty Eight Dollars to the Account of Suffolk County pursuant to Resolutions of the Con-

vention of the Representatives of the said State passed on the Twenty first day of December last past — Dated this Twenty fourth day of January 1777

Dollars 188 John Livingston, Chairman

[William Smith received pay for this claim Jan. 24, 1777]

In Convention of the State of New York — Kingston April 26th 1777

It is hereby Certified that Capt. Anthony Rutgers hath as a Deputy for the City & County of New York attended the Convention & Committees of Safety from the first meeting of the Convention at White Plains to this Day, One hundred & two days —

Attest Pierre Van Cortlandt, V. Prest.

Robt Benson Secr'y —

[Anthony Rutgers received £51. for this Claim, Apr. 25, 1777]

The State of New York to Thomas Pettit, Dr.

1776		
August 31st	To my Service as Doorkeeper to the Convention from the 1st Instant to this Day, is 31 Days at 8/—	£12. 8.0
	To Cash pd a party of Soldiers at Fort Washington for carrying the secretaries Baggage, papers &c off to the Sloop	0.16.0
	To my Expences coming up with the Sloop & Baggage	1. 3.0
	To Cash pd Cleaning the Harlem Church	0. 4.6
		£14.11.6

[Thomas Pettit received pay for this Claim, Sept. 12, 1776]

In spite of being driven from pillar to post, the Convention did some very important work. In 1776, it included these items:— July to October, many appropriations were made for Bounties, in several of the Regiments; July 16, it was Resolved to call out one fourth part of the Militia in the Counties of Dutchess, Orange, Ulster and Westchester; July 23, it was Resolved that Companies of Rangers should be raised in the Counties to the North of Dutchess and Ulster; July 30, it was voted to loan £500 to the first five persons who should extract Salt from sea-water, and the loan was made to Alexander Robertson, Peter Sim and Marinus Willett on the following day; Aug. 28, Mr. Gelston was ordered to proceed to Connecticut with letters to Governor Trumbull; Aug. 29, it was recommended that the inhabitants of Suffolk County should remove as many as possible of their Women, Children, Slaves and Stock "to the main", and it was declared that the Convention would pay the Expense; Sept. 4, Committees were appointed in the Counties of Albany, Dutchess, Orange, Ulster and Westchester to secure 4000 lances; Oct. 3, Robert Harpur, Abraham P. Lott and Nathaniel Sackett were appointed a Committee to have charge of all the Flax belonging to the Convention, and to have the same manufactured into Yarn and Cloth.

An outline of the Convention's work, in 1777, is this; Apr. 5, the sum of £1000. was voted to the Commissioners of Conspiracies; Apr. 25, it was directed that certain Tea, taken by Col. Allison at Hackensack, be dealt out to the officers and men of the Regiments that took it, "one pound to each man, they paying at the rate of six shillings per pound for the same"; Apr. 26, it was voted to give £100 to the Committee of Kingston for the night watch over the Prisoners; May 5, Commissioners of the Poor were appointed in the Several Counties; May 10, Philip Leake was given £200. to pay for Shoes and Stockings; May 13, directions were given for the removal of the well-affected inhabitants and the Grain and Forage from the lower part of

Westchester County; same date, it was ordered that the price of Salt in Westchester County should be 20/—, and that all Salt taken in that County should be removed to Kingston, subject to the order of the Council of Safety or the Legislature; June 9, there was offered a Bounty of £5. for every hundred weight of Powder "manufactured within this Colony".

The Officers of the Fourth Provincial Congress, or Convention, were the following, the remaining Officers having been those of the First Congress:—

Presidents — Peter R. Livingston, Abraham Ten Broeck, Pierre Van Cortlandt, Nathaniel Woodhull and Abraham Yates, jr.

Presidents pro tem.— Leonard Gansevoort, William Smith and Abraham Yates, jr.

The Deputies, or Delegates, were:—

Albany
Matthew Adgate*
John James Bleecker*
Jacob Cuyler*
Leonard Gansevoort*
Peter R. Livingston
John Tayler
Abraham Ten Broeck
John Ten Broeck
Robert Van Rensselaer
Abraham Yates, jr.
Robert Yates*

Charlotte
William Duer*
George Smith*
Alexander Webster
John Williams*

Cumberland
Joseph Marsh
John Sessions
Simon Stevens

Dutchess
Dr. Joseph Crane*
Anthony Hoffman*
Jonathan Landon*
Gilbert Livingston*
James Livingston*
Robert R. Livingston*
Zephaniah Platt*
Nathaniel Sackett*
Henry Schenck
John Schenck*

Gloucester
Jacob Bayley*
Peter Olcott*

Kings
Theodorus Polhemus*

New York
Garret Abeel*
Evert Bancker*
James Beekman
Abraham Brasher*
John Broome*
William Denning*
James Duane*
Daniel Dunscomb
Robert Harpur*
John Jay*
Francis Lewis*
Philip Livingston*
Abraham P. Lott
Thomas Randall*
Henry Remsen*
Isaac Roosevelt
Anthony Rutgers
John Morin Scott
William Scott*
Isaac Stoutenburgh*
John Van Cortlandt
Peter P. Van Zandt

Orange
William Allison*
Jeremiah Clark*
John Haring*
Archibald Little*
Thomas Outwater*
David Pye*
Isaac Sherwood*
Joshua H. Smith*

Queens
Jacob Blackwell*
Abraham Kettletas*
Jonathan Laurence
Benjamin Sands*
Waters Smith*
James Townsend*
Samuel Townsend
Cornelius Van Wyck*

Richmond
(No Delegates)

Suffolk
Thomas Dering
David Gelston
David Hedges*
John Sloss Hobart
Ezra L'Hommedieu
Burnet Miller*
William Smith
Thomas Tredwell*
Nathaniel Woodhull

Tryon
William Harper
John Moore
Benjamin Newkirk*
Isaac Paris
Volkert Veeder*

Ulster
Matthew Cantine
George Clinton*
Charles De Witt
Arthur Parks
Levi Pawling
Matthew Rea
Christopher Tappen
Henry Wisner

Westchester
Gilbert Drake
Lewis Graham*
Samuel Haviland*
Ebenezer Lockwood
Zebediah Mills
Gouverneur Morris
Lewis Morris*
William Paulding*
Jonathan Platt*
Benjamin Smith*
Jonathan G. Tompkins
Pierre Van Cortlandt

The following Accounts show some of the transactions of the several Provincial Congresses, relative to the progress of the War:—

AN ACCOUNT OF DISBURSEMENTS FOR REMOVING THE RECORDS, MEDICINES &c. PAID BY JOHN MCKESSON

1776
June 17th To a Horse and Chair to remove the Plates of the State Bills of Credit from the City of New York to the White plains & which was then detained for want of an opportunity to have the same returned in the whole eight — at 14/ per day..... £5:12:0

* Does not appear in the documents as a Deputy

1776			
June	25th	To cash paid Manning Bull for keeping said Horse	£2: 0:0
		To cash paid by order of Convention for cartage of a Box of Records and Documents from the receiver General's Office to Harlem.....	12:0
At Fish Kill			
Sept.	1st	To cash paid Francis Winne for Sloop hire conveying the Records of Convention & the State Treasury & records thereof and the Records of the receiver General's Office &c. from Harlem to Fish Kill as per receipt	4:15:0
		To cash paid Capt. Danl. Ter Boss at Fish Kill Landing for Storage and to Negroes with a craft for bringing on shore and Storing the records Treasury &c.	18:0
	2nd	To cash paid Danl. Ter Boss George Brett & Jacob Gray for conveying the same to Fish Kill Village three Waggon Load	1: 0:0
1777			
Jan.	7	Doctor Williams one of the Members having by order of the Convention inspected the Medicines and directed the putting them up — Cash paid Gilbt. Barns for making a Box, repairing another Box & hooping & heading a cask in which the Medicines are — 10/.....	10:0
On the Convention removing to Kingston.			
Feby.	16th	Cash paid at Poughkeepsie for the expences of the Slaymen & Horses.	1:12:0
	17th	To Cash paid at Mulfords for the expences of the Slay men & Horses all night & in the Morning &c.....	2:16:0
		To cash paid three Slaymen Vizt. Jacob Bayley, Cornelius Adriance and John Cooper at 9 Dollars each	10:16:0
Feby.	19th	To Cash paid Andries Lawson for bringing from Fishkill the remainder of the Medicines belonging to the State & part of the large stove used by Convention	2: 0:0
			£32:11:0

AN ACCOUNT OF MONIES ADVANCED BY JOHN MCKESSON ONE OF THE SECRETARIES BY ORDER OF THE CONVENTION & COMMITTEES OF SAFETY AT SUNDRY TIMES VIZ[t].

1776			
May	18th	To cash paid John Henderson a witness summoned by Convention against Israel Youngs & others for counterfeiting continental Money 16/ to bear his expences to his place of abode at Huntington.....	£ 0:16:0
		To cash paid Charles Friend twenty Dollars as a Reward for his Fidelity Time & expence in coming to New York to give Information against the said Israel Youngs & others & remaining there as a Witness....	8: 0:0
Sept.	9th	Cash paid a Messenger to Genl. James Clinton with Letters relative to the Stores by him requested and Ordered by the Convention of this State to be furnished to the Continental Forts & Garrisons in the Highlands	8:0
Decr.	9th	To cash paid Major Lockwood to reimburse him three Dollars paid to a Messenger sent to the Committee of Safety with a Letter of Intelligence	1: 4:0
Jany.	9th	To cash paid Govr. Morris Esqr. 40/ for that sum by him paid by direction of the Committee of Safety to a person who came express from Genl. George Clinton with the Account of General Washington's successful attack at Trenton and the further sum of 24/ for the like sum paid by Mr. Morris to the printers workmen for dispatch in printing the Address to the people of the State of New York	3: 4:0

1777				
Jany.	30.	Paid by order to William Grant and William Curry two deserters from the Senegal Ship of War in the Enemy's Service to bear their expences to the Continental Frigates at Esopus Landing where they are recommended for employment as per rect		£16:0
		Cash paid Robt. Yates for himself & James Duane Esqr. six pounds fourteen shillings & one penny to reimburse them their expences attending their Journey to Kingston in Ulster County by order of the Committee of Safety		6:14:1
				£21: 2:1
		Cash paid Horse hire & ferriages to New Windsor to order the removal of Gun powder from thence	£ 0: 8:0	
		Cash paid the passage of a Guard from Peekskill to Poughkeepsie with Prisoners	0:12:0	
		Cash paid Wm. Green for a Bound book of four Quires for the Committee for detecting Conspiracies which was appointed in N. York	1: 4:0	2: 4:0
				£23: 6:1
Cr.		By Twenty two Dollars received for the two Articles charged on the 18th May, which was paid on the 17th August 1776		8:16:0
		Ballance		£14:10:1

The Honbl. the Convention of the State of New York To Samuel Loudon Dr.

1776			
Feb.	9.	To Printing 3000 Essays on making Salt Petre &c.	£ 34:15:
March	5.	100 Letters to Colonels — on fine paper	16:
		1 Box Wafers	2:
April	3.	3000 hand Bills, respecting the Election of Deputies for Convention, and for dispersing the same	4:10:
May	22	1000 Commissions — fine paper	4:10:
June	1	Resolve for raising and regulating the Troops — 100 Copies	3:
July	6	50 Commissions — on fine paper	1:— —
Sept.	18.	50 Copies of Resolve of 17th Sept. appointing Treasurers	10:
	21.	200 Do	1:16:
Octr.	11	Resolve of 2nd Octr.— a pamphlet, with folding, into 500 Copies	4:
	14	Resolve of 9th Octr.— for Purchasing Tour Cloth	14:
		100 Commissions with Alterations	1: 8
	17	200 Resolve — for Straw, in Westchester County	14:
Novr.	15.	40 do	16:
		200 Orders for Commissions to grant passes	12:
		4000 Permits — or passes — fine paper	3: 5:
Decr.	21	250 Instructions for Recruiting Officers	2: 5:
		50 Resolves for Calling the Militia	12:
	22	250 hand — the devastations by ye Enemy in Jersey	1: 4:
	24	50 Resolves — Exempts from the Militia Duty	8:
1777			
Jany.	2	Postage of a Letter to Convention	: 1:6
		500 hand bills — Genl. Washington's Victory — Trenton	2: 2:
	3	2000 Addresses of Convention to their Constituents, folding, stitching, &c.	34:10:
	5	1000 American Crisis No. 1	6: 5:

1777			
Jany.	23	100 Resolves concerning the Small Pox	£ 0:12:
	24	Instructing for Recruiting	2:
		100 Resolves for Calling the Convention	10:
		200 do for Collecting fines	1:
Feb.	11	Postage of a Packet from Virginia to Convention	18:6
	12	1000 American Crisis No. 2	12:10:
	20	500 Resolves for a Fast Day	1:11:
March	7	500 do of 1st March for supervision, Price of Grain &c.	2:10:
		6 sheets large Paper 2/	2:
		300 Hand Bills, concerning Disaffected Persons	1:10:
	11	6 Quires Paper for the Committee 3/6	1: 1:
		Advertising Accounts against Convention to be brought in	8:
		300 Hand Bills	1: 4:
		500 do for Punishing Spies and Traitors	1:12:
		150 do for Procuring Persons to serve as Soldiers in the room of others	1: 4:
		Cash paid Mr. Van hevan — Express to Convention — for carrying a Packet	1:
		To Sundry Advertisements in the News Paper, published in New York	12:12:
May	16th	To Printing, Folding & Stitching 2216 Pamphlets — The Constitution of this State, finding Paper	102:10:
		1000 Ordinances, folding — on fine paper	16:13: 4
		1000 Hand Bills offering Pardon	4:
		100 Certificates	1: 4:
		900 Crisis No. 3	45:
		Paid Campbell — riding Express to Esopas to Carry up Constitution & other printed Resolves	2:
		490 Dutch Address of the Convention of this State	45:
			£ 378: 7: 4
Cr.		By the Essays on Salt Petre &c. being paid 4th March 1776	34:15: 0
			£ 343:12: 4
		To my Pension, 2 Quarters for Publishing my News Paper, Commenced 15th January to 15 July last	100: 0: 0
			£ 443:12: 4

The Honle. Convention of the State of New York To Sam[l]. Loudon Dr.

1776		For the following Advertised in the New York Packet, viz:	
Resolve —		of 8th Feb[r]. Addressed to the Counties &c., to use Hospitality to those who are obliged to fly from the City	£ 5:
		of 22 Feb. Respecting Contractors for Provisions	10:
		of 17 do ..... Houses for Troops	7: 6
		of 28th do ..... Persons deserting Places in danger of being attacked	1:
		of 9th March Respecting the Loan Office	10:
		of 12 do ..... Purchase of Blankets	8:
		of 12th do ..... Voting in Election for Members for Congress	1: 4:
Advertising the 3rd tuesday of April, the Day for electing Members for Congress			16:

1776		
Resolve — of 16 March for Manufacturing Salt	£ 15:	
of 30 do ... Manufacturing Musquets	5:	
17 April ..... making salt petre	1:	
31 May, concerning new mode of Government	1:10:	
11 June ..... Prohibiting the exporting of Salt Provisions	5:	
14th June ..... making Jail Keepers accountable &c.	5:	
15th do ..... Military Officers not to sit in Congress	5:	
20 do ..... Forms of Association	1: 4:	
30 do ..... Disaffected Persons, secreting themselves	5:	
9 July Sheriffs to detain their Prisoners	5:	
16 do Enemies taking up Arms	7:	6
15 do..Dangerous Persons holding meetings	5:	
23 do..Exportation of Provisions	5:	
2d Aug^t...Quit rents due to Convention only	5:	
3 " ..Prohibiting the killing of Lambs	5:	
17 " ..Removal of the Poor	5:	
Amount carried to Acco^t. No. 1	£12:12:	0

Aid to the Families of Soldiers

The great charitable efforts of the War were begun by the Provincial Congresses; and some of them were afterward continued by the Legislature.

The Congresses extended aid to the Families of Soldiers who were absent from home on duty:—

In Provincial Congress New York March 8th: 1776.

Orderd that Peter Van brugh Livingston Esqr. as Treasurer of this Congress pay into the hands of Colo. Peter T. Curtenius the Sum of forty one pounds one shill^g. and 4d.— that Colo. Curtenius dispose of the said Money in advancing to the distressed Wives and friends of Sundry Soldiers now in Canada in the service of the United Colonies agreable to the list delivered him and that Colo. Curtenius transmit to General Schuyler an Acct. of the same to the end that the same may be stopped out of the pay of those Soldiers to whose Wives or friends such money's have been advanced)

£ 41 1 4 Robt. Benson Secry.

The Legislature, by a law passed June 30, 1778, provided that the families of Soldiers should be supplied with the necessaries of life at moderate prices. Another law, Oct. 20, 1779, allowed a gratuity of $30 per head to the families of men serving in the Continental Troops. The following were appointed Commissaries to carry the law into effect in the several counties:— Albany, Elbert Willett; Charlotte, John Rowan; Dutchess, Samuel Dodge; Orange, William Holly; Tryon, Peter S. Deygart; Ulster, Daniel Graham; Westchester, Samuel Haight. Acting under this law, and a supplementary law passed July 1, 1780, Mr. Dodge furnished a list of such families in Dutchess County as had been returned to him by the Supervisors of the respective Precincts.

In Pursuance of a Law of the State of New York for allowing certain Gratuities to the Families of the Continental Troops raised within this State I do hereby certify that John Ernest Pier, John Williamson John Hartigh Ganet Marselis Jacob Walter John House John

Helmer, John Bangel, Conrad Pease and John Smith are Soldiers in Colo. Van Schaick's Regiment of N. york Troops and that their respective Families are necessitous and stand in need of Relief — Also that the Family of John Ernest Pier consists of three Heads — that of John Williamson of two — that of John Hartigh of five — that of Garret Marselis of four — that of Jacob Walter of Six — that of John House of four — that of John Helmer of two. that of John Bangel of two — that of Conrad Pease of two — and that of John Smith of Six Heads — Given under my Hand the 27th March 1780.

Chris. P. Yates Supervisor
of Palatine District and County of Tyron.

To Peter S. Deygart Esq. and all whom it doth or may concern.

The Poor who Came Out of the City of New York

Just before the Evacuation of New York by the Americans, in 1776, the Poor of that city began to emigrate to the surrounding country in such numbers that, on Feb. 28, the Provincial Congress voted £500 to Col. Abraham P. Lott for the purchase of Bread. The employment of the Poor who remained in the City devolved upon John Ramsey. Directly upon the Evacuation, the Congress, or the Committee of New York, ordered numerous families into Westchester County. Many of these families were from the Almshouse. The Congress, Aug. 17, 1776, voted £200 to Col. Lott and James Beekman to remove the Poor out of New York; and Aug. 26, voted £200 to Mr. Beekman to complete the work. On Dec. 2, 1776, the Committee of Safety voted £100 to Col. Lott for monies advanced for removing the Poor. On May 13, 1777, Col. Lott was paid £19 — 10s (39 days at 10s)—" By order of the Convention, sent to New York to send the Poor out of the City and going to New Roshal, New Windsor and Fiskils to inquire how the Poor was provided for." There also appears an Account of Col. Lott against the State for £281.0.4 for transportation and provisions to aid the Poor. These people were landed at Tarrytown, Gorges, Second River, Newtown, Tappan, Haverstraw, and many other places.

State of New York to Robert North Dr:

For moving the following Persons out of New York by Order of Abraham P. Lott & James Beekman appointed by the Committee to remove the Poor from the City

1776			
Aug: 27.	Wm: Tellers family landed at Fish Kill	£	18
	John Matten Sister & Sundries		12
	Mr Leake, Family & Goods	1	6
	Mr Douglass & Goods		16
	Mrs Teller & Goods	1	
	Mary Morris & ditto	1	4
	Abigail Logan & ditto		12
	Elizabeth Kip & ditto	1	4
	Mrs Maxwell & ditto		18
	Mrs Legang & ditto		16
	Patrick Wood & family	1	
	Mr Eagles three Load Goods	1	4
	do 3 grown Persons & 5 Children		18
	Mr Hoff & Sundries	1	2
	Mrs Van Everen & 1 Load Goods		12
	One Woman carried to Rhynbeck & Goods		18
[Sworn to, Aug. 29, 1786; paid, Aug. 30, 1786]		£ 15	— —

With the exception of a few families removed to Flushing, on Long Island, all the Poor from New York City were sent to the Counties of Dutchess, Ulster and Westchester.

In Dutchess, the County Committee often charged the several Precinct Committees, or the City Committee of New York City, with the cost of Supplies; but, more frequently, the charges were made against the Provincial Congress or the State. On Sept. 3, 1776, the Committee of Safety voted £100 to Peter Monfoort, deputy Chairman of the Committee of Rumbout Precinct, to support the Poor from N.Y. to Fishkill Landing.

In Convention of the Representatives of the State of New York, April 26th 1777 Ordered that the Treasurer of this State advance to Mr Frederick Jay, for the use of the Committee of Rumbout Precinct the further sum of One hundred Pounds towards the Provision for such of the indigent Persons of New York as were committed to their care; and that the Said Committee render a particular Acct. with proper Vouchers of the expenditure of this as well as the sums heretofore advanced them for the same purpose —

Attest — By Order

Rob't Benson Secr'y — Pierre Van Cortlandt, V. Prest.

[Receipt of the above was acknowledged by Mr. Jay, Apr. 29, 1777.]

A Receipt appears, dated July 17, 1777, for a small amount paid into the State Treasury by Frederick Jay by order of the Council of Safety; and the Council, Nov. 27, 1777, voted £400 to Abraham Schenck and Gideon Vervalen, Commissioners of the Poor in Dutchess County. The Commissioners were given £500 by the Legislature, March 13–14, 1778. Many of their Accounts were first paid by the Committee of Rumbout Precinct. Upon the resignation of the Commissioners, Dirck Brinckerhoff, jr., was appointed their successor, by the Legislature, June 29, 1778, at a salary of 16/— per day. The Legislature voted £1200 to him, Nov. 4, 1778. One of Brinckerhoff's Accounts shows that from July 9 to Oct. 2, 1778, he paid £600 for maintaining the Poor — the said amount having been advanced to him by the State Treasurer, on July 7, previous. Another Account, running from Oct. 16, 1778 to Jan. 9, 1779, itemizes expenditures of £1661.5.2., nearly all of which was paid by the State Treasurer on Nov. 14.

Mr. Brinckerhoff having resigned, the Legislature March 13, 1779, appointed Samuel Dodge, late Secretary of the Almshouse in New York, Commissioner of the Poor from that City to Dutchess County, at a salary of 32/— per day.

In Ulster County, the first arrivals from New York were taken to New Windsor, and Samuel Brewster, Chairman of the Committee of that Precinct, was given £56.14.7 by the Provincial Congress Oct. 4, 1776. Here is one of his Accounts:—

State of New York to Samuel Brewster Dr —

1776					
Agust	26	To 2 Days Providing Places for ye poor Sent by this State.....	£0—	12	0
Octor	2	3 Days myself and horse to Fishkills to Draw the cash for Sd Poor a 12/—	1	16	0
Nobr	15	Cash to Mr Hatfield to Leave this State	0	8	0
1777					
Febr	6	3 lb. of thread Delivered to Sd Poor to make frocks and trowsers for the Contill Army @ 18/.....	2	14	0
May	10	2 Days Spent in removing Sd Poor a 10/	1	0	0

1777 June	1	71 lb. of Veale a 8 1/2d for Sd Poor	£2	10	3
		2 c 20 lb of flower a 25/	2	15	0
		4 of Sugar a 2/4 & 3 1/2 of Pork a 1/		12	10
		3 lb of Butter a 2/ 4 and 1/2 Bushel Potatoes @ 5/		9	6
			£13	17	7

A little later, Cornelius C. Schoonmaker was also made Commissioner for Ulster County; and, on Dec. 9, 1777, the Council of Safety increased his salary from 10/— to 16/— per day. The Commissioners acted under a Resolution, passed May 8, 1777, just before the last Provincial Congress, or Convention, ceased to exist. In that year, 195 of the Poor came from New York to Ulster County. The Commissioners kept their Accounts in far better shape than the Commissioners of the Counties of Dutchess and Westchester. The Accounts are full of details as to the billeting of the Poor. Bills were paid by the Precinct Committees, and then presented to the State through the Commissioners. The price usually charged for board was 8/— per head, per week. Abraham Bevier was made Superintendent of the Poor in the County, in 1778; and the Legislature voted £800 to him in that year. He was allowed 32/— per day for his services.

The Poor from New York came into Westchester County, in large numbers, in August, 1776. Bills for transportation and expenses of supporting them were sent by the several Village Committees to the Committee of Safety, the Provincial Congress and the State. Several of these bills were approved by the Committee of Auditors of the Committee of Safety, Feb. 25, 1777. The accounts of Zebediah Mills, Commissioner, extended from 1777 to 1779. On March 13, 14, 1778, the Legislature voted £150 for his use. Ebenezer Purdy was made Commissioner and Superintendent, Mar. 13, 1779, at a salary of 32/— per day.

Westchester County

The State of New York Dr To Ebenezer Purdy for Sundries pd by him for the Support of the Poor Removed out of the City of New York to Westchester County

1779 Octo 29	To Cash pd Joseph Owen for Sundry Articles of Provisions as pr Acc No 1	£ 141	13	0
To May 1780	To Interest from 30 Sept 1780 until July 20. 1782 1 yr 9 mo 20 days	17	11	10
	To do pd Calib Carpenter for ditto as Pr Acct N 2	64	14	6
	To Interest on this last Sum from the 30 Sept 1780 until July 20 1782 is 1 yr 9 mo & 20 days at 7 pr Ct	8	3	4
Nov 1779	To Cash pd Carpenter N 3	61	7	
To Apr 1780	To 208 lb Rise — at 6d pr lb	5	4	
June 12	To keeping one of the poor that was out of her Senses for 15 Weeks & 4 days — 20/	15	11	10
	To 4 bushl Wheat at 14/	2	16	
	To 1 Pr Shoes		16	
	To 4 bushl Wheat at 16/	3	4	
	To my trouble & Expences for myself in Removing the Poor from North Castle to peekskill	2	12	
	To Cash pd Saml Stokam for removing one of the poor to peeksKill that was mad on a Cart	1	0	

June	1780	To Danl Trips acct for Provision N 4	£ 15	15	1
		To Timothy Carpenters Acct — 4	2	4	
		To Boarding one of the poor for 10 Months	5		
		To My Wages for 24 days at 20 doll[rs] Pr day is equal to 7/ 5/ 4/ hard by the State Seale	8	18	6
		To Aaron Furman for Boarding one of the poor for 10 days & curing him of the Itch & a Sore foot	1	10	
			£ 350	1	1
		To 1 Pr Working Oxen lost & taken by the Enemy when removing the poor from north Castle property of Joseph Owen which I am bound to pay him	25	0	
			£ 383	1	1
		Credit			
		By Cash Recd of the Treasurer in Continen[l] 2674 1/2 doll[rs] which Reduced into hard Cash I alow to be as Pr acct anexed	28	18	7
			£ 354	2	6
		By Cash for 6 pork barrels	1	16	
			£ 352	6	6

I audited the above acct & allow[d] to be due to Ebenezer Purdy £352 — 6 — 6 at Poughkeepsie & gave him a Copy of the Acct July 20 1782 Peter T Curtenius.

The Legislature, July 1, 1780, ordered that all of the Poor from New York should be turned over to Samuel Dodge; and on April 14, 1782, he was still further authorized to have charge of them, with Jonathan Dennis, Dirck Brinckerhoff, Thomas Storm, Abraham Paine, Jacobus Swartout and Cornelius Humphrey, as Superintendents. Soon after the close of the War Mr Dodge again became Keeper of the Almshouse, in New York City. His Accounts as sole Commissioner seem to have been merged with his previous Accounts as Commissioner from Dutchess County.

State of New York in Acco[t]: with Samuel Dodge Commiss[r]: for the Poor

Dr:			Continental		
		To Amo[t] of Cash expended for Necessaries as Pr Accot of Particulars	£50435	15	5
1780		Middle District			
Novr	14	To Commissrs: Forfeitures for Monies paid into Treasury	16081	12	
		To Cash Lent the Comrs: Forfeitures to be account for	8332	12	
1783					
Augt	13.	To do paid the Treasurer	185	4	
			£75035	3	5
Cr:			Continental		
1779					
March	16	By Cash from the Treasurer	£1000		
Novr:	18	By do do	6000		
1781					
Feby	14	By do do	13939	12	
Decr:		By Ulster County Comrs Forfeitures	54095	11	5
			£75035	3	5

Dr:	State of New York in Accot: with Samuel Dodge Commissioner for the Poor				
	To Amot of Cash expended for Necessaries as Pr Acco^{t} of Particulars	Specie 1146	18	9	
1784 July 7	To Cash paid at Poughkeepsie for Pork bot in 1782	2	10		
	To 85 days actual service in superintending the Poor between 13th March 1779 & 1st July 1780 @ 10/	42	10		
	To Sundry Outstanding Acc^{ts}: not paid, nor included in the foregoing Acc^{ts}: for which I am answerable	385	19		
Cr:		£ 1577	17	9	
1782		Specie			
May 22;	By Ulster County Com^{rs} Forfeitures rece'd from Johannis Acker	29	5		
Septr 24.	By Cash rece'd from Col Udney Hay	200			
Decr 18	By do from Treasurer Pr R. Hoffman	200			
	By Sale of £77 — 8 — 8 New Emiss^{n} at 4 for 1	19	7	2	
	By do ..1203 — 4 — 2 do ..5 for 1	240	12	10	
1783 Augt 13.	By Cash from Treasurer	200			
	By Balance due Samuel Dodge	688	12	9	
		£ 1577	17	9	

N. B. Besides the above Balance Capt Bovier & Judge Platt have Acco^{ts}: for sundries supplied the Poor, which not being render'd could not be included in the above — I suppose the Amount to be about £100 in Specie —

1784		State of New York Dr to Samuel Dodge Com^{r}: for the Refugee Poor			
Nov^{r}	20	To Cash p^{d} Isaac Balding for Sundries	£ 6	2	1
1785					
Jany	24.	To Cash p^{d} to the Order of Pearsal Brown	10	4	1
March	4.	To Dirck Brinckerhoff for Provisions		15	
April	30	To Israel Knap of Dutchess County		10	
		To Richard Dodge for Wheat for the Poor	4	1	
			£ 21	12	2
Nov^{r}	28.	To Daniel Way for Provisions	1	9	
Decr	14.	To Doct^{r} Thorn Medicine & Attendance	2	8	
1786 July	20	To Joseph Dobbs for Ab^{m}: Brinckerhoff	3	10	8
[Audited 25th July 1786; paid Aug. 19. 1786]			£ 28	19	10

The following is a list of the Poor who came out from New York City:—

Dutchess County

Alner Apolonia	Boss Anne	Carter Hannah (Mrs)	Chase Catharine (Mrs)
Alner Mary	Boss Leah	Carter James	Clatworth Margaret
Anderson Ann (Mrs)	Boss Saml	Carter John	Crow Henry
Anderson Elizabeth	Briley Jane Br	Carter Mary	Crow Lenah
Anderson John	Brower Mary	Carter Rachel	Dailsy John
Anno Marcia	Brower Saml	Carter Vincent	Douglass William
Bennet John	Brown Margaret	Carter William	Dunbar Andrew
Bigelow John	Bush Samuel	Charlot James	Egan Timothy
Black Mary (Mrs)	Byvanck Cathar'e (Widow)	Charlot Mary	Forbes Duncan
Bogart Brache (Mrs)	Carter Elizabeth	Charlot Samuel	Fordon Abraham

Fordon Adriantis
Fordon Altice
Fordon Cady
Fordon Cornelia
Fordon Elizabeth
Fordon Phebe
Fordon Samuel
Foy John
French Margaret (Mrs)
Fry Millicent (Mrs)
Golden Elizabeth
Graham (Widow)
Graham Catharine
Graham Ellinor
Graham Thomas
Ham (Widow)
Ham Edward
Harris (Widow)
Harris John
Herring David
Herring David, jr.
Herring John
Hinds Elizabeth
Hitchin Mary
Holmes Sarah
Hults Anthony
Jemison Elinor
Johnson Elenor (Mrs)
Kain Arthur
Keyser
Kingston Rachel
Kip Elizabeth (Mrs)
Kipp Jacob
Kipp Joanna
Kortright (Mrs)
La Grange Sarah (Mrs)
Lake (Mrs)
Lane Billy
Lane Sarah
Lashly Elizabeth
Lashly Mary
Legg Elizabeth
Lewis William
Lindsey Mary
London (Negro)
Losie Peter
McClosky Alexander
McClosky Margaret (Mrs)
McMenomy Elizab'h (Mrs)
McMenomy John
McMenomy Peggy
Marchant Mary (Widow)
Maxfield (Mrs)
Maxwell Abigail
Maxwell Anthony
Maxwell John
Maxwell Joseph
Maxwell William
Merrit Elizabeth
Mitchel Isabel
Mitchel Susannah
Montayne Becka (Mrs)
Montayne Janitje
Montayne Rachel
Moore Edward
Morgan Mary (Mrs)
Morrison Daniel
Murray Alletta
Murry Diana
Murry John
Murry Mary (Mrs)
Nash Abigail (Mrs)
Nash George
O'Neal Anne
Peppinger Elizab'h (Mrs)
Peppinger Richard
Phillis (A Wench)
Rea William
Reed Catharine
Richards Rebecca
Ritche Catharine
Ritche Edward
Ritche George
Ritche John James
Ritche Margaret
Ritche Mary
Ritche Sarah
Robb Elizabeth
Robb James
Robb Jane
Robb Michael
Robb Nicholas
Robb Returah (Mrs)
Schurman Garret
Schutt Johannes
Shurts Aaron
Shurts Ann
Shurts Horatio Gates
Shurts Jacob
Shurts Jacob, jr.
Shurts John Washington
Shurts Margaret
Shurts Oliver
Shurts Susannah
Shurts William
Slidel Mary
Smith John
Smylie John
Smylie Peggy (Widow)
Springsteen Harmanus
Spring Anne
Spring Charity
Spring Elizabeth
Spring Jane (Mrs)
Spring Jeremiah
Spring Peter
Stevenson Polly (Widow)
Stuart Jacob
Thompson Archibald
Van Deusen Gilbert
Van Kleeck Ann Mariah
Van Kleeck Braache
Van Kleeck Catharine (Widow)
Van Kleeck John
Van Nort Hester
Ward Sarah
Warner (Widow)
Williamson Thomas
Winslow (Widow)
Young Elsie
Young Peter
Young Sarah

Ulster County

Allener Appolone (Mrs)
Allener Prudence
Anderson Anne (Mrs)
Betty (Mrs)
Bogs Rachel (Mrs)
Brower Catharine
Brown (Widow)
Brown (Mr.)
Brown Anne (Mrs)
Brown Mary
Cousins Elizabeth
Craning Effee
Crow Bety
Curry Ann
Dayley John
Docherty Catharine (Mrs)
Docherty Martha (Mrs)
Dunscomb Mary (Mrs)
Gibbons (Mr)
Graham Esther (Mrs)
Graham Phebe (Mrs)
Hatfield (Mr)
Hunt Catharine
Hunt Joseph
Hyne Elizabeth
Hynes Mary
Kingston Rachel (Mrs)
Lattimore Margaret (Mrs)
LeFever Andrias
Lindsey Mary (Mrs)
McFarthing Neal
Magans Jude (Mrs)
Matthews Mary (Mrs)
Molley (Mrs)
Orr Ann
Page Hette (Mrs)
Peck Phebe (Mrs)
Peck William
Rea William
Vandebergh Elizabeth
Vandebergh Harmanus
Van Nort Hester (Mrs)
Van Steen Mary
Wadick (Widow)
Wilson Elizabeth
Wilson Sarah (Mrs)
Wood Patrick
Young Elsie (Mrs)
Young Peter

Westchester County

Anne Mary
Amia Mary
Anderson Elizabeth
Anno Mary
Auchmuty James
Bartley Elizabeth
Biglou John
Biglou Marah
Biglou Sarah
Bowman Elizabeth
Brown Ruth (Mrs)
Calican Edward
Caril James
Chew Elizabeth
Chew Richard
Clark William
Crow Henry
Deveriks Robert
Dickson Anne
Dickson Samuel
Drake John
Field William
Flint Catharine
Foster Sarah
Foster William
Gobert Peter
Gorbett Peter
Gotterton James
Griffis Sarah
Griffis Susanah
Hains Henry
Harin David
Hickey Catharine
Hickey John
Hilman Henry
Holaway Lewis

Howser Elizabeth
Howser Jacob
Howser Mattis
Hunt Hannah
Justis Hannah
Kain Arter
Lane Mary
Lain Josiah
Lain William
Leg Elizabeth
Login Robert
McCarte Thomas
McCorpin Dougle
McDonald Alexander
McGogan Lydia
McGogan Mary
Mason Mary (Mrs)
Merritt Elizabeth
Michael Ezebel
Michel Susana
Midky Catharine
Montayne Rachel
More Ann
More Catharine
More Phane
Murry James
Nowlin John
Par Else
Ramer Martha
Reed Dunkin
Reeves Benjamin
Richets William
Riley Else
Riley James
Rushton Elizabeth
Slidle Mary
Slover Sarah
Smith John
Spoke Cathrine
Springer Martin
Sullivan John
Swales Bellow
Thomas William
Tidd William
Van Dooser Gilbert
Van Nort Catharine
Van Nort Cornelius
Van Nort John
Van Nort Mary
Warner Eve
Welch Elizabeth
Welch Jane
Welch Nancy
Youngs Abram
Youngs Catharine
Youngs Elizabeth
Youngs John
Youngs Mary

Not located by Counties

Able Jane
Ackles Elisabeth
Ackron Mary
Anderson Mary
Anter Samuel
Backer Albart
Backer Sara
Bell Jane
Black Susannah (Widow)
Bogart Elisabeth
Braley Jerry
Brasher Jane
Broune John
Brouwer Ann
Brownson John
Burdenham Margrit
Burger Jane (Widow)
Burroughs Benjamin
Burrow (Mrs)
Bush Helena
Camble
Camble Fiby
Campbell Elenor
Campbell Jane
Campbell Margrit
Campbell Sarah
Canady Sarah
Caraens Catherien
Carry Mary
Castle Mary
Chadne Mary
Chambers Maria
Christainse Angeltue
Christie Elisabeth
Codwise Sarah (Mrs)
Colden Justice
Colverd John
Cornnell John
Cosk Joseph
Crocker Andrew
Davis Eve
Deane Betsy
Delanoy John
Denmark Rachel
Deoson George
DeRett John
Desiortor Jane
Devoe (Mrs)
Dougherty Elisabeth
Douglass (Mr)
Douglass Elenor
Downes Susanah
Duff Alexander
Eagles (Mr)
Elsworth Jane
Ennis Sarah
Erlin Margrit
Evens Ann
Fardon Margrit
Fensher Hanah
Finsher Ann
Flood Elenor
Forbus Mary
Ford Sufy (Widow)
Forman Margret
Fowler Catharine
Francis C. (Widow)
Frasher John
Freman Asra
Fullerton Alexander
Gallalant Elisabeth
Gareson Mary
Gasley Henry
Geffers John
Gemble Munya
Gerrebrants (Widow)
Gibbons (Mrs)
Gorden Elisabeth
Gordon Ruth
Goulden Benjamin
Graham John
Graham William
Grant Mary
Gray Ann
Green (Mrs)
Green Ann
Griffith Elisabeth
Gunn George
Gutrey John
Gutrey Samuel
Hall (Mrs)
Halsted Elisabeth
Halsted Phebe
Hay Jane
Henderson Ann
Hill Deborah
Hills John
Hoff (Mr)
Houward Mary
Hugh Mary
Hugh Sarah
Hunter Ann
Hurrelston Elisabeth
Jackson Hanna
Jordan Abigail
Jordan Peter
Kelly Elizabeth
King Ann
King Elenor
Kipp Catherien
Kipp Jane
Kipp Sarah
Kirk John
Lakerman Catheren
Leake (Mrs)
Lehys William
Lent Hallul
Lasiere Ann
Light Mary
Linch Jane
Linch Margrit
Lintenau Catherien
Logan Abigail
Lyell Sarah
McAlpaen Catherien
McCarter Sarah
McDaniel Hannah
McDavitt Eve
McDonald Sarah
McGurney (Widow)
McKisler James
McManis Hugh
Makentass Sarah
Mangel Johannis
Marchall Abram
Marschalk Abraham
Martaen Mary
Marten Hugh
Marten John
Mash Elisabeth (Widow)
Mass Margaret
Matten John
Miller Mary
Mills Mary
Monroe Hugh
Moody Sarah (Mrs)
Moor Mary
Morrell William
Morris Mary
Mullenar Susanah
Murry William
Narrin William
Neil Mary
Nichelson Sara
Nox Richard
Nox Sarah
Oats Elizabeth
Ogdon Sarah
Orr Hannah
Ostrander Jacob
Padgett John
Page Esther
Palmater Joshua
Pauck Rachael
Peeck John
Perkins James
Phillips Ellerner
Poudy William

Price Catherien
Provost Elisabeth
Quackenbush Ann
Reis Peter
Renby Catherien
Rice Peter
Ridgway Christien
Riese John
Rigger Mary
Riney Elesabeth
Roberson Adam
Robinson (Widow)
Russell Mary
Ryne Catheren
Ryne Christopher
Saxson Ann
Shaffers Thomas
Shepperd Mary
Smith Ann
Smith David
Smith Thomas
Stark Thomas
Statia Rebeca (Widow)
Stevenson Hanah
Stewart Catharine
Studiford (Widow)
Table John
Taylor Betsy
Taylor Chaterin
Teller (Mrs)
Teller William
Thompson Margaret
Thomson (Mr)
Thorn Catharine
Tomkins Nancy
Tommelson Ann
Turner Margrit
Van Everen Martha (Mrs)
Van Gelder Elizabeth
Van Nies John
Van Orden Minee
Van Vorst Peggy
Veltbergh Cornelius
Vine Robert
Vogel Peggy
Vroman William
Waass John
Warner Jane (Mrs)
Wassels Ann
Watson Jane
Webster Elihu
Wendle Barberie
Wessels Margrit
Whilehand Elisabeth
Wiley Ann
Winshell Pelitya
Wood Mary
Wood Unity
Young Althe

Poor and Distressed Inhabitants

The Accounts relating to aid given to the Poor are, in many cases, difficult to distinguish from the preceding Accounts relating to the Poor who came out of New York City. Therefore, all Accounts of this sort, in the Counties of Dutchess, Ulster and Westchester, are to be found under "the New York Poor", as they were generally called. In the other Counties, aid was often given by the Commissioners of Conspiracies, the Commissioners of Sequestration or the County Committees, to which Chapters reference should be made. The transfer of so many cases to other departments of the Government left comparatively few to be dealt with by the Commissioners appointed by the Convention who, apparently, drew the money directly from the State. The first order of that body, April 7, 1777, was the appointment of William Allison and Matthew Adgate as a Committee to Superintend the Poor. Then followed this resolution:—

In Convention of the Representatives of the State of New York Kingston May 8th, 1777
Whereas a regard to the Sacred Cause we are engaged in, as well as common Justice & Humanity dictate the Propriety of adopting some mode of Relief for such of the Inhabitants of this State as have by the Hand of Tyranny and Injustice been driven from their Habitations and deprived of their Subsistance and thereby rendered unable to Support themselves and Families

Therefore Resolved, that in the County of Westchester Zebediah Mills and Nathaniel Hyat Esquires, in the County of Dutchess Ezra Thompson & Frederick Jay Esquires in the County of Ulster Cornelius C. Schoonmaker and John Sleght Esquires & in the County of Orange John Brewster & Tunis Cooper Esquires be and they hereby are Appointed Commissioners to take the General Superintendance & care of All such poor as aforesaid in each of the respective Counties for which they are Appointed & that the Commissioners of any two or more Counties agreeing, be Authorized to remove said Poor, from one or either of such Counties into another, and the Commissioners of each of the said Counties to remove them from one District to another within the same County for the convenience of keeping them employed, of supplying them with necessaries, and with such other Things as they shall judge necessary for their Comfortable Subsistance from time to time; and to keep them employed at such Business as they shall be able to perform, and as the said Commissioners shall judge to be most Advantageous to the said Poor and the public. Provided always that no such removal or Residence shall be construed to gain a Right of Settlement to any of such poor in the County to which they are or shall be removed.

Resolved that the Commissioners for either or any of the above Counties have power at their Discretion to bind out to Trades or other Occupations the Children of such of the said Poor, as were Objects of the Public Charity before they were driven from their Habitations as aforesaid. Provided that no male among such Children be bound out for any longer Time than until he shall arrive at the Age of twenty one Years, nor Female than until she shall arrive at the Age of Eighteen. And that they Assist such Persons who before they were driven from their Habitations as aforesaid were not indebted to the public Charity, but were able to support their Families by their own means & Industry in puting out their Children to such Places & Employments and for such Time or Times as the said Parents shall consent to. And that the said Commissioners do from time to time discharge from their care, and withhold the Public Benevolence, from such Persons, as in the Judgement of said Commissioners shall be able to support themselves without it.

Resolved that the said Commissioners be allowed at & after the rate of ten Shillings per Day for their Expences and Trouble in executing the aforegoing Resolutions while actually employed therein.

Resolved that the Commissioners of the poor in each respective County be empowered to draw on the Treasurer of this State for a sum not exceeding five hundered pounds for each County, to be Accounted for by the said Commissioners respectively.

Robt. Benson Secry.

Recd May 21st. 1777, from P. V. B. Livingston by the hands of Gerard Bancker five hundred pounds — pursuant to the above order.

£500

Fred Jay, one of the Commiss^r for Dutchess County.

The Council of Safety, June 4, 1777, having learned that Frederick Jay and Ezra Thompson declined their appointments, placed Abraham Schenck and Gideon Vervalen in their places. Soon afterward the Council passed the following Resolution:—

In Council of Safety for the State of New York. Kingston August 9th 1777

Whereas the Inhabitants of this State are loudly called upon by every motive of Justice & humanity to relieve the wants of such unhappy families as are driven from their habitations by the rage of a cruel and remorseless Enemy & the Licensed barbarity of their more than savage Allies — as well as to share with their suffering brethren that common plenty which Almighty God hath bountifully been pleased at this Season to bestow upon us —

Resolved, therefore, that it be recommended to the General Committees of the Counties of Albany & Tryon, respectively, to use their utmost influence with those of the Inhabitants who still possess their places of Abode to give all possible Assistance to those who have been obliged to abandon their settlements by not only enabling them to remove their families & Effects but in affording them all possible accomodations. And it is hereby most earnestly recommended, to the said Committees respectively, to prevent as much as possible any Increase of the Calamities of the Sufferers by Impositions, in the Articles of House Rent, Fire wood, Provisions for themselves & Cattle, and to put out and provide for, at the public charge of this State, all such poor persons and families refugees as aforesaid, as are not able to Defray their own Expenses. For which this Council doth hereby render the State of New York responsible.

John McKesson, Secr'y.

According to a law of Feb. 21, 1778, donations were to be distributed to Distressed Inhabitants:— in Albany County, by Andrew Mitchell and Cornelius Van Veghten; in Charlotte County, by John Nesbitt and Samuel Crossit; in Tryon County, by Volkert Veeder. Governor Clinton, also, gave £2250 to Conradt J. Elmendorph for supplying the Poor and Distressed Inhabitants of the Western Frontier.

The Refugees from Long Island to Connecticut

Soon after the British took possession of the Western end, and practically the whole, of Long Island, the Convention passed the following:—

In Convention of the Representatives of the State of New York Harlem August 28th 1776.
Ordered that Mr. Gelston proceed to Connecticut with the Letters to Governor Trumbull & the Committee & that this Convention will bear his Expenses.

Robt. Benson, Secr'y.

In convention of the Representatives of the State of New York Harlem August 29th 1776
Resolved that it be recommended to the Inhabitants of Suffolk, Long Island, to remove as many of their Women, Children & Slaves and as much of their live Stock and Grain to the main as they Can and that this Convention will pay the Expense of Removing the Same

John McKesson, Secr'y.

Acting under the latter Resolution, three of the Refugees were appointed Auditors of the Accounts for Transporting Families from Long Island to Connecticut. They were:—Thomas Dering, John Foster and Thomas Wickham. In their Accounts they charged, per day, as follows:—time, 12/—; board, 2/—; horsekeeping, 1/6. Nearly all of their work was carried on at Middletown, Connecticut. The town Committees of Inspection, in that State, usually approved of the Claims brought before the Auditors; in fact, the Committees often sent boats to Long Island for transporting the Refugees and their effects.

The places from which most of the emigrants embarked were:—Sag Harbor, Southold, Easthampton, Sterling and Shelter Island. Their destinations, with few exceptions, were: Middletown, Killingworth, Saybrook, Haddam, East Haddam, Stonington, New London and Guilford.

Previous to the flight, many Guns had been taken from the inhabitants by the Committee of Suffolk County, and delivered to Col. Henry B. Livingston. During the flight, and afterward, Col. Livingston secured other Guns and Munitions of War, some of which were used for the Troops of New York and others were loaned to Connecticut.

In [Albany County] Committee 30th Octr. 1776.
Ordered that the Treasurer pay Mr. William Van Ness thirty Pounds to be delivered to the Committee appointed to furnish two of the Brower's Family's Refugees from Long Island with such necessaries as they may stand in need of
To Mr G. Lansing, jr. Treasurer. Mat. Vischer, Secr'y.

On December 24, 1776, the Committee of Safety ordered the State Treasurer to pay £ 59. to John Field for services and expenses in transporting some of the inhabitants of Nassau Island, with their families, stock &c., to the State of Connecticut.

In Council of Safety for the State of New York Kingston June 27th 1777.
Resolved that Obadiah Jones John Hulbart and Thomas Dering or any two of them be and they are hereby authorized & directed to remove at the Expence of this State to the County of Dutchess within the same all such of the Refugees from Long Island who now reside in Connecticut as are willing so to be removed.
Resolved that One hundred Pounds be advanced to the said Gentlemen to enable them to execute the above Resolution & that they Account with the Auditor Genl. of this State for the Expenditure thereof.

Ordered that the Treasurer of this State pay the said Sum of One hundred Pounds unto Mr. Paul Reeve to be by him conveyed & delivered to the said Gentlemen or one of them.

Attest Robt. Benson Secry. By Order

Pierre Van Cortlandt Presdt.

Reced June 28th 1777 from P. V. B. Livingston by the hands of Gerard Bancker One hundred pounds which I promise to convey as above mentioned

£100 Paul Reeve

The Auditors made a settlement in October, 1777, showing an expenditure of about £2400; and another, in 1778, showing about £3000. The following documents show the nature of the Claims and the manner in which the Auditors transacted the business:—

An Account of the expense of Ebenezer Dayton in removing his family and property from Suffolk County to the State of Connecticut on the 2d & 3d of September 1776 and of going on again at three Different times afterwards to bring off more property, which attempts proved unsuccessful —

	£ S D
First Moving, Cash paid for Carting my goods on Board	1 16 0
Cash paid the Boatman for freight	5 0 0
Cash paid for Carting from on Board	0 8 0
Going on the 1st time to fetch Effects	
Extraordinary Expense for passage on and of the Island and horse hire and other Services paid for in Cash	2. 0. 0
N. B. I brote off at this time about £40 in value.	
Second time, going with a borrowed whaleboat which the Enemy took with other Effects &c. The Value of the Whale Boat lost prized at	6. 0. 0
6 oars 1 blankit and other things lost in the boat	2. 0. 0.
Passage from Southold to Rope Ferry	0. 4. 0
Expense from Rope Ferry to Milford	1. 0. 0
N. B. at this time I brot off the minute Pay rowls of Capt. Strong's Company & two horses for Lieut. Wm. Clarke and a quantity of Clothing from the parents of the Soldiers in Colonel Drake's Regiment.	
The third time going over having without any wages or rations joined the Detachment of Colol. Livingstone Expecting an opertunity to bring off my Effects.	
Expense for 10 days in New Haven while waiting for wind and a Ship to go away	3. 0. 0
A fine gun, a good King's arm lost in the action taking the Regular Company in Brockhaven by being broke & left amongst the Stores taken	4. 0. 0.
The above is a true account of Expense &c.	£ 25.18. 0

Ebenezer Dayton.

State of New York to Isaac Sheffield of Stonington.....Dr.

September 1776, for Transporting Sundry familys houshold goods Stock &c. from Sagharbour on Long Island to Stonington in the State of Connecticut and them landed vizt.

for Mr David Parson 18 head Cattle at 9/—	£ 8. 2.0
to 1 horse a 9/—	0. 9.0
to 12 hogs a 1/—	0.12.0
for Mr Stephen Toping 13 Passengers a 3/—	1.19.0
to 9 head Cattle a 9/—	4. 1.0
to 2 1/2 Load of household goods a 18/—	2. 5 0

for Mr Matthew Parson 1 ox a 9/—	£ 0. 9.0
for Mr. David Hand 11 head Cattle a 9/—	4.19.0
to 12 hogs a 1/—	0.12.0
for Mr Mulford Esqr 13 head Cattle a 9/—	6.17.0
to 1 Passenger a 3/—	0. 3.0
to 1 horse a 9/—	0. 9.0
for Mr Jeremiah Holsay 1 Load household goods at 18/—	0.18.0
to 8 Passengers a 3/—	1. 4.0
for Mr Antony Ludlo 1 Load household goods at 18/—	0.18.0
for Mr Robart Sheffield 2 Load household goods a 18/—	1.16.0
to 2 Passengers a 3/—	0. 6.0
for Mr Joseph Ellis 9 Passengers a 3/—	1. 7.0
to 1 Load household goods at 18/—	0.18.0
for Mr John Parson 7 Passengers a 3/—	1. 1.0
to 1 Load household goods a 18/—	0.18.0
for Mr Miler Esqr 1 Cow a 9/—	0. 9.0
	£ 39.12.0
By an Overcharge on Household Goods Stock & Effects	13. 8.0
	£ 26. 4.0

New London County Stonington Feby 14th 1777 Personally Appeared Mr Isaac Sheffield and made Solemn Oath to the Truth of the above account

Sworn before me Nathaniel Minor, Justice of Peace

Stonington february 14th 1777

As the within Charge may Seame high to ye gentlemen thats apinted for Discharging ye Same, I will just gave Some Resons for my So doing, for me as an Individuel to Resk my vessel my Self and Charge no more than those that had thire vessels Resk by ye Comittes of groton New london and others westward, it apears to me not Resonable, when the Resk was so great, for thire was SCarse a day but thire was Crusers seen of ye East End of ye Island by which we Exspected to be Cut of Every time we Past, and further ye Resk being so well Known by our inhabitants hear I Could not git hands att that time under thrible Wages, and also obliged to go Duble mand and well armd, which made it very Chargeable. I settled with 3 or 4 Parsons att ye Same Rate thats Charged in this bill and 2 I settled with since for Less on Condition that if thire was more alowd I was to have ye alowance, and as the Curcumstance was then in Regard to ye Resk and Exspence I Dont think ye Charge two high, for why Should one man Resk his hole Liveing to Save another mans Exscept he is alowed Something Edequate to the Resk, but I Exspeckt to Comply with whats alowd others that brought of upon the Same footing that I did pr Isaac Sheffield

Stonington Feby 14th 1777

These Certify that the Comtee of this place never engaged any persons or vessels to fetch any goods or famalys from Long Island: But that all that went from this place went at there Own Resque

Nath[l] Minor } of the Comtte
John Brown jr } of Inspection

Middletown March 5th 1777 Recd and Exd the within Acct & Report we think there is justly due to Isaac Sheffield the sum of twenty six pounds four shillings Lawfull Money of Connetticut

pr Thomas Dering
John Foster
Thomas Wickham

Middletown March 18 1778 Recd of Thomas Dering, John Foster & Thomas Wickham, Esqrs. Twenty six pounds four shillings Lawfull Money In full for transporting famalies stock & Effects from L Island to Connecticut . Recd the above In full
£26.4. pr me Isaac Sheffield

September 26th 1776 Received of Mr. Ruben Brown for transporting from Long Island to Guilford too Bushel of wheat one Load of houshold Goods fore passengers the hole Amounts to £0.18.9 Lawful Money pr me Jonathan Vaill

Oct. 16 1776 receivd of Ruben Brown three Shillings & Eight Pence for transporting one Barrel Provisions Two Bushel wheat Bundle of Leather & one Passage from Long Island to Guilford in Connecticut. attested & approved Jno. Ingraham

Guilford Febry. 17 1777 Personally Appeared Reuben Brown & made Oath to the Truth of the within Accounts before me Sam'l. Brown, Justice of Peace

Same Time said Acctts. Examind & Approved by this Comitte
Sam'l Brown, Clerk.

Middletown Febry 21 1777 Recd & Exd the within Rects & think there is justley due to Ruben Brown the sum of one pound & 1/9 Lawfull Money of Connectticut.
pr Thomas Dering
£1.1.9. John Foster
Thomas Wickham

State of New York to Joseph Havens.....Dr.

1776	for Transporting Goods &c from Long Island	
Sept. 26	To do 3 Loads of Corn.....	£1.10.0
	To do 141 Bushls of Wheat a 4 1/2d.....	2.11.2 1/2
	To 3 Barrels of Pork and two Do of Cyder a 1/6.....	0. 7.6
	To 1 Load of Flax 20/— 1 Do of Household Goods 10/—.....	1.10.0
	To 25 Bushl of Oats & 5 Do flax seed a 4 1/2.....	0.11.3
	To 2 Barrels of Apples & 2 Do of Beets.....	0. 6.0
	To 15 Sheep .....a 6 d.....	0. 7.6
		£7. 3.5 1/2

The within Acct is so surcumstanced that the person who brought over the Effects &c the owners of them are not able to attend the Comittee but from information of a person of Credit who assisted in receiving the things & being well Knowing to the oweners honesty we are of opinion it is just & true Thomas Dering
John Foster

Middletown Febry 19th 1777 Recd and Examined this Acct and think there is justley due to Mr. Joseph Havens seven pounds three shillings & 5 1/2 Lawfull Mony of Connecticut
Pr Thomas Dering
£7.3.5 1/2 John Foster

Received June 22d, 1790 from Gerard Bancker, Treasr., a Certificate for Thirty one Pounds & Seventeen Shillings, being the Specie Value of Six hundred and thirty nine pounds, eight Shillings and nine pence, on the 28th day of September 1779, which Sum was paid into the Treasury of the State of New York by the Committee of Sea Brook, in Connecticut, for Cattle &c belonging to the inhabitants of Suffolk County, and is now repaid in pursuance of an Act, entitled "An Act for the relief of Henry Haydock & others", passed the 9th day of March, 1790.
Selah Strong Treasurer

No. 47,752 — £31.17. — dated September 28th, 1779.

Some interesting details of the removal are found in the "Account of the Sheep brought from Long Island and deliv[d] to the Committee of Guilford."

Guilford September ye 25th 1776 this day 345 Sheep from Long Island (15 of which belonged to ye Fordoms) was by Lieut. Norton of Setauheit delivered to ye Care of the Committey for which a Receipt was given by Nathl. Ruggles Esqr. Chareman of Sd Committey; and Sd Sheep was tarred in ye face & put into Guilford Flock; the Several Ear-Marks of Sd Sheep are incerted in ye enclosed papers N. B. the Sheep belonging to the Fordoms [Fordhams] ware not tar'd nor any account taken of ye marks.

I do hereby Certify that Mr Nathaniel Ruggles did on the 8th March 1779 pay into the Treasury Eighty Eight pounds thirteen Shillings and four pence the produce of 345 Sheep taken from Long Island, Suffolk County, as pr Rect before given

N. Y. April 19th 1787 Gerard Bancker Treasr.

John Halse 27 Sheep hollow Crop in the Left Ear and Slope on the fore Side of the right.
Benjin Woodrough 27 mark 2 half pennys under Left Ear
Josiah Halse mark Hollow Crop in ye Left Ear and Slop on ye fore Side of ye right a nick under ye Rigt Ear
Wilmon Halse mark 2 half penny upon the under side and one on uper side of the right Ear
Silas Woodrough mark 2 half pennys under ye Left Ear one uper side of the right

Then follow certain hieroglyphics giving a record of the Sheep, and a Key to the same. The following is the Key:

(1) Single Slop under Right Ear; (2) Sloap under Riggt Ear hole in left; (3) Crop of Left Ear; (4) Crop of Left Ear half forehd each ear half penn under ye right; (5) Crop of Left Ear half peny under it half pen unde ye right; (6) Crop of ye Left Slit in ye right; (7) haf penny fore Side nigh half pen lupes and Lower Side left; (8) Crop penny and Slet in ye Left Ear Sloap uper Side of ye right; (9) Sloap of uper Side Left Ear half penny uper Side of ye right; (10) half penny fore ye right and under the left; (11) Crop of ye Left Ear Sloap unde ye right; (12) Half penny fore Side right V in the left; (13) Sloap under Each Ear half penny fore Side of ye right; (14) Crop of ye Right Ear and Slit in ye Same and a half penney Each Side ye left

The following, who were for the most part Captains of various kinds of Ships, assisted in the removal of the Refugees:—

Bates Isaac	Glover Ezekiel	Latimer Peter	Scranton Joab
Bayley Gamaliel	Goldsmith Wilmot	Leete Thomas	Sheffield Isaac
Beebe	Greenfield Starr	Leffingwell Christopher	Spink Richard
Bonticou Peter	Griffith Joshua	Mason Elisha	Stow Zebulon
Bradley Joseph	Haley Jeremiah	Miner John	Vail John
Budington Eliphalet	Harris James	Minor John 2d	Vail Jonathan
Conkling Benjamin	Ingraham John	Pendleton Ephraim	Webb James
Cooper Zebulon	Jones James	Riley Jacob	Wiggins James
Farnam Onis	Knight Robert	Robinson Thomas	Wilcox John
Fellows Elnathan	Landon David	Saulsbury	Williams Charles
Fordham Ephraim	Latham Hubbard	Sayre David	Wilson John

The records show these names of Refugees from Long Island to Connecticut:—

Barns Nathaniel	Beckwith Phebe	Boothe Joseph	Brown
Bayley Benjamin	Beckwith Phinehas	Bouseau John	Brown Christopher
Bayley Jonathan	Benjamin Nathaniel	Bower Hezekiah	Brown Ruben
Bayley Stephen	Booth Daniel	Bradly Timothy	Brown Samuel

Brown William
Browne Abigail (Widow)
Bushan John
Busseau John
Case Benjamin
Case Israel
Casset Cornelius
Cehey Asa
Chapin Benjamin, Dr.
Chapin Margaret
Chappel Benjamin
Clark Elisha
Clarke John
Cleaveland Joseph
Cochran John
Conklin Samuel
Conklin William
Conkling Dr.
Conkling Abraham
Conkling Daniel
Conkling David
Conkling Edward
Conkling Jacob
Conkling Jeremiah
Conkling John
Conkling Jonathan
Conkling Joseph
Conkling Nathaniel
Cook John Mitchell
Cook Jonathan
Cook Rebecca (Widow)
Cook Silas, Maj.
Cooper Abraham
Cooper Silas
Corey Abijah
Corey Bradic
Corey Elijah
Corwin James
Corwin Mary (Widow)
Corwin Nathan
Culver Gershon
Curran Timothy
Curren Jeames
Danes Peter
Darrow John
Davis (Capt)
Davis Benjamin
Davis James
Dayton Ebenezer
Dayton Jesse
Deckerson John
Dering Thomas
Deval William
Dibbel Sineus
Dick John
Dickenson Selah
Dickinson Amos
Dickinson Richard
Drake John
Edwards Ebenezer
Edwards John
Edwards Mercy
Elderean Jeames
Ellis Joseph
Evertes Jarama
Filer Thomas
Fordham Daniel
Fordham George
Fordham Gideon
Fordham Nathan
Foster Crudance
Foster John
Foster John, jr.
Fowler
Fowler Calop
Fowler George
Fowler Jonathan
Francis (Frenchman)
Franks Jon
Gardiner Abraham, Col.
Gardiner Jerusha (Mrs.)
Gardiner Joshua
Gardiner Nathaniel
Gardner Jeremiah
Gelston David
Gelston Maltby
Gelston Thomas
Gildersleeve Obadiah
Goldsmith Joshua
Goldsmith Nathan
Griffin James
Griffing Daniel, Capt.
Griffing Jasper, Capt.
Griffing John
Griffing Peter
Griffing Samuel
Hains Daniel
Halliock Peter
Hallock Henry
Hallock Israel
Hallock Joseph
Hallock Zebulon
Hallsey Elias
Halsey Henry
Halsey Jeremiah
Halsey John
Halsey Josiah
Halsey Silas
Halsey Silas, jr., Dr.
Halsey Theophilus
Halsey William
Hand David
Hand Gideon
Hand John
Hanes David
Hart Molley
Havens James
Havens Jonathan, Dr.
Havens Joseph
Havens Obadiah, Lieut.
Hedges (Widow)
Hedges Daniel
Hedges David
Hedges Jonathan, Col.
Hedges Matthew
Hedges Stephen
Hemstead Thomas
Hemsted Jessey
Herrick Henry
Higgins Christian
Hildreth Joseph
Hildreth Joshua
Hinchman Annar (Widow)
Hoel
Horton Barnabas, Capt.
Horton Jeames
Horton Jonathan
Horton Joshua
Horton William
Howell
Howell Daniel
Howell David
Howell Elias
Howell Ezekiel
Howell Isaac
Howell Joshua
Howell Recompenc
Howell Ryall
Howell Sylvanus
Howell Walter
Hubbard
Hubbard (Widow)
Hudson Henry
Hudson John
Hudson John Leveret
Hudson Obadiah
Hudson Thomas
Hulbert John, Col.
Hunting Benjamin
Hunting John
Hunting Nathaniel
Hutchinson (Widow)
Hutchinson Thomas
Ingraham Samuel
Ingraham Samuel, jr.
Isaacs Aaron
Isaacs Aaron, jr.
Jacobs (Widow)
Jagger Ebenezer
Jagger Matthew
Jennings
Jennings Ebenezer
Jennings Elias
Jennings James
Jennings Silvanus
Jessup Lieut.
Jessup Isaac
Jessup Silas
Johnson William
Jonathan (Indian)
Jones Ephraim
King Alexander
King Asa
King Benjamin
King Elisha
King James
King Jeremiah
King Peter
King Thomas
King William
King William, jr.
Korkom William
Landon Samuel
Lee Abram
Leet Elisha
Leet Simion
Lefoy Francis
L'Hommedieu
L'Hommedieu Ezra
L'Hommedieu Grover
L'Hommedieu Samuel
L'Hommedieu Sylvester
Lester Andrew
Lester Noah
Loper Abraham
Loper David
Ludlo Antony
McCullom Dunkin
Man Philips
Marcles Samuel
Mason Elijah
Matthews Timothy
Milford Samuel
Miller Abraham
Miller Burnet
Miller Elisha
Miller Huntonton
Miller Jeremiah
Miller John
Miller John, jr.
Miller Peleg
Monus
Moore Ann
Moore Benjamin
Moore Calvin, Capt.
Moore Daniel
Moore Hannah
Moore Henry
Moore Joseph
Moos David
More John
Mores John
Mulford Elias
Mulford Elisha
Mulford John
Mulford Nathaniel

Mulford William
Murrow Semor
Norris Silas
Orsborn Zebedee
Osborn Daniel
Osborn Elisha
Osborn Joseph
Osborn Lewis
Osborn Matthew
Overton Elton
Overton Isaac
Overton James
Overton John
Overton Joshua
Overton Nathaniel
Pain Alsop
Pain Benjamin
Pain John
Pain Jonathan
Pain Phebe
Paine Ephraim
Paine Peter
Pamely Nathan
Parson John
Peck Augustus
Peck Joseph
Peirson Lemuel
Peirson Lemuel, jr.
Peirson Silvanus
Peirson Zachariah
Pelletreau Elias, Capt.
Pelton Ithamar
Pendleton Amos, Capt.
Perry Edmond
Perry Eliakim
Person David, Capt.
Person Elias
Person Matthew
Persons Daniel
Persons Jedediah
Persons John
Persons Samuel
Persons Stephen
Persons Theophilus
Persons Zebulon
Post Elias
Post Jeremiah
Post Nathan
Price Benjamin
Racket Daniel
Racket Jonathan
Racket Jonathan, jr.
Reave Wells
Reaves Daniel
Reeve Israel
Reeve Joshua
Reeve Selah
Rockwell William
Rogers Jeremiah
Rogers John
Rogers Jonathan
Rogers Joshua
Rogers Nathaniel
Rogers Uriah, Maj.
Rose Abraham
Russell
Russell Hezekiah
Salmon Jonathan
Salmon Joshua
Sandford Ezekiel
Sanford
Sawyer Abraham
Sayre Abraham
Sayre Benjamin
Sayre James
Sayres Joshua
Sears Benjamin
Sears David
Shary Reek
Sheffield Robert
Shellinger Isaac
Sheman Anthony
Sherrel Samuel
Sherril Jeremiah
Sherry Samuel
Simons Moses
Sinnot Patrick
Smith Dayton
Squire David, jr.
Squire John
Squires Mary
Stamborough Joseph
Stores Rev.
Stuart Silas
Tammage Lois
Terry John
Terry Richard
Terry Thomas
Terry & Drake
Thomson Zebulon
Tillinghast Joseph
Tillinghast Phebe
Todd Samuel
Todd Timothy
Toping Charles
Toping David
Toping Stephen, Capt.
Topping Elisha
Topping Henry
Topping Joseph
Topping Matthew
Topping Phebe
Topping Rebecca
Topping Thomas
Truman Francis
Tuthill Daniel
Tuthill John
Tuthill Mehitabel (Widow)
Tuthill Rufus
Tuttel Azariah
Tuttel Duncan
Vail Joseph
Vaill Benjamin
Waid Ebenezer
Walker Dr.
Warner Eliphalet
Watrous Ethan
Weldin David
Wells Fines
Wells Freegift (Deacon)
Wells James
Wells Jonathan
Wells Joshua
Wells Josiah
Wells Selah
Wells William
Whelden Jonathan
White Samuel
White Silah
White William
Wick Edward
Wickham Thomas
Wiggins David
Wiggins James
William (Indian)
Williams Jonathan
Wines Abijah
Wood Zaphar
Woodruff Benjamin
Woodruff Daniel
Woodruff Silas
Yongs (Esqr)
Youngs Israel
Youngs John

THE COMMITTEE OF SAFETY

Just before its adjournment, the First Provincial Congress, July 8, 1775, appointed certain of its own Delegates a Committee of Safety, with power to open and to answer all letters directed to Congress; to examine Suspected Persons; to superintend Military Affairs; to appropriate money; and to order a session of Congress at any time, if emergency required. This Committee, with many powers beyond those of the Provincial Congresses, covered the lives of all four of the Congresses; and it was not dissolved till the Government of the new State was about to assume its authority.

The Committee of Safety was a small body, composed of representative and energetic men who felt their responsibility. According to the documents, the original members of the Commit-

tee were:— John Williams, Chairman; James Beekman; Jacob Cuyler, Isaac Roosevelt; Christopher Tappen; and Robert Yates. All of these, except Mr. Tappen, served through the four Congresses, and they were probably members of the Committee of Safety during all the time of its existence. Other members were added from time to time.

The documents record these Officers and Members of the Committee of Safety, the figures denoting the Congresses in which they were Delegates:—

Chairmen — John Williams (1. 2. 3. and 4), Peter R. Livingston (2. 3 and 4) and James Livingston (3 and 4)

Secretaries — Robert Benson, Richard Hatfield and John McKesson (Benson and McKesson, Secretaries of all four Congresses, served also as Secretaries of the Committee; Hatfield served a portion of the time)

Vendue Master — Jacob Hunt

James Beekman (3 and 4)
Samuel Brewster (2 and 3)
Matthew Cantine (2, 3 & 4)
Jacob Cuyler (1, 2, 3 & 4)
Charles DeWitt (3 and 4)
James Duane (3 and 4)
Daniel Dunscomb (3 & 4)
Burnet Miller (3 and 4)
Arthur Parks (3 and 4)
Matthew Rea (2, 3 and 4)
Henry Remsen (3 and 4)
Isaac Roosevelt (1, 2, 3 & 4)
Christopher Tappen (1, 3 and 4)
Robert Yates (1, 2, 3 & 4)
Peter P. Van Zandt (3 & 4)

The Committee met in New York till that City was occupied by the British. It then met at various places along the Hudson River.

Its sessions were as follows:— New York, July 11–25, 1775, Sept. 4–Oct. 3, 1775, Jan. 3–Feb. 12, 1776, Mar. 18–May 8, 1776, Aug. 19, 1776; Harlem Aug. 27 and 29, 1776; Kingsbridge, Aug. 30, 1776; Philipse Manor, Aug. 31, 1776; Fishkill, Sept. 2–4, 1776, Sept. 8–13, 1776, Sept. 23–25, 1776, Sept. 26–27, 1776, Oct. 7–14, 1776, Oct. 16–Dec. 4, 1776, Dec. 5, 1776–Feb. 14, 1777; Kingston, Feb. 19–Mar. 5, 1777. The Convention also left its business in the hands of the Committee, Aug. 29 and Oct. 5, 1776.

One of the Accounts shows that the Committee did not suffer from lack of food and drink:—

Octr 24th 1776

Mr Yates & Co.....Dr

	To 6 Dinners	£ 12. 0		To toddy	1. 0
	To Wine	9. 0	29	To toddy	2. 0
	To Toddy	5. 0		To wine	8. 0
	To Cyder	3. 0		To toddy	1. 6
25	To dinner for 7.....	14. 0	30	To Toddy	6. 0
	To Wine	16. 0		To 5 at dinner	10. 0
	To toddy & Cyder.....	4. 0		To wine	16. 0
	To supper for 6.....	9. 0		To Cyder	1. 0
	To Wine	8. 0		To servt Dinner &c....	1. 6
	To toddy & Cyder	6. 0	31	To 9 dinners	18. 0
	To waiter, supr & Cyder	1. 6		To Wine 6 Bottles & Bill	2. 9. 0
26	To dinner for 13.....	1. 6. 0		To toddy & Cyder	3. 0
	To wine	1.12. 0		To servts Dinner &c...	1. 6
	To toddy & Cyder	10. 0	Novr 1	To 6 dinners	12. 0
28	To Mr Duane's Breakfast	1. 6		To wine	16. 0
	To 8 Dinners	16. 0		To Cyder	1. 0
	To toddy & Cyder.....	3. 0		To toddy	5. 0
	To wine	16. 0		To servts Dinners &c...	1. 6
	To servts Dinr &c.....	1. 3	2	To 13 dinners	1. 6. 0

Novr 2	To wine	£ 2. 0. 0	To servts Dinners &c..	1. 6
	To Cider & Toddy	4. 0	To toddy	2. 0
	To Sangoree	12. 0	To Pipes and Tobacco.	4. 0
				£ 21.15. 9

Albany Novr 3^{d} 1776 — Received from Jacob Cuyler the above sum for the use of the Committee of Convention of the State — William Hardy

Another account shows that the Auditor-General did not hesitate to secure a private debt out of moneys that were due from the State to his debtor:—

1776 June 19th	The Honourable Committee D^{r} to Jon Dunlap from the above date 59 days till August 19th.....		£ 23.12. 0
Cr	By Cash recd from Jon McKisson,Esqr 7 Dollars.....	£2.15. 0	
	By do another time 15 do	6. 0. 0	
	By do recd from Abraham Depeyster Esqr 12 do	4.16. 0	13.12. 0
	Balance due to Jon Dunlap.....		£ 19. 0. 0
	By recd from Mr Benson.....		0. 8. 0
	Ballance due to J. D.....		9.12. 0
	Stop 7/6 for a pr Shoes he owes me for — C. Sands [Aud'r Gen.]....		7. 6
			£9. 4. 6

In Convention of the Representatives of the State of New York, Augt 17th 1776
Ordered that the within account of John Dunlap be delivered to the Auditor-General to be audited to this seventeenth day of August only — and that the said John Dunlap be, and is hereby, discharged from the Service of the said Committee & of this Convention.

John McKesson, Secr'y

The most important transactions of the Committee of Safety, as revealed by the documents, were the following:—

1775, part of a cargo of Powder from France to the West Indies was given to the Committee of Safety of South Carolina; Sept. 18, it was ordered that Messrs Pintard Remsen and Van Zandt be a Committee to purchase Powder, Arms &c.

1776, Jan. 24, Capt. William Mercier was appointed to superintend the making of Gun carriages, and ordered to inspect all Vessels lading in the port of New York; Feb. 15, the Committee was given authority to communicate with the British Ships in the harbor of New York; Feb. 28, Col. Abraham P. Lott was ordered to buy bread; Mar. 18, it was ordered that not more than £4. should be paid for a barrel of Pork; Mar. 19, Capt. Anthony Rutgers was paid £430 for a Sloop to be armed "for the defence of this and the neighbouring Colonies"; Mar. 21, Capt. William Mercier was ordered to fit out the Vessel lately purchased by the Provincial Congress; Apr. 12, £900 was paid to Thomas Randall to refund him for the purchase of an Armed Vessel; Apr. 17, it was ordered that £650. be paid for the Sloop "Sally", and £500. for the Schooner "Polly"; same date, £200. was advanced to Capt. William Mercier for fitting out the Armed Sloop "Montgomery"; July 12, John R. Livingston was given £100. for establishing a Powder plant; July 19, John Carpenter was given £200 for the same service; Aug. 3, a bill of

£500. was audited for the printing of 55,300 bills "of the New Emission" of Money; Aug. 17, Col. Abraham P. Lott and James Beekman were given £200. for the purpose of removing the women, children and infirm from the City of New York; Aug. 22, Zebediah Mills was paid $50 for removing the Military Stores from New York City to Westchester County; Oct. 22, Col. Dirck Brinckerhoff was ordered to repair the roads, in place of Col. John Field; same date, £600. was ordered to be paid to Capt. Tudor for rafts and timber for the Continental Frigates; Oct. 29, £1200. was appropriated to Jacob Cuyler, James Duane and Robert Yates, the Committee to raise Troops; Nov. 2, the Committee of Ulster County was ordered to pay a Bounty to Capt. Elias Hasbrouck; Nov. 5, the same Committee was ordered to pay a Bounty to the Ulster County Rangers; same date, Isaac Roosevelt reported that Col. Brasher and himself had examined the Muster Rolls of the Schooner "General Putnam"; same date, it was ordered that the accounts of that Schooner be kept in better shape; Nov. 28, Col. Johannis Hardenburgh was ordered to turn over to the Committee all the Arms left by those of the Militia who had been discharged; Dec. 9, Maj. Lockwood was paid £1.4.0 for a messenger sent to the Committee with a letter of intelligence; Dec. 12, Samuel Loudon was paid £1000 for printing Public Notices in his paper; Dec. 16, Col. Lewis Dubois was refunded £1500. advanced for Bounty Money; Dec. 24, the State Treasurer was ordered to pay £59. to John Field for services and expenses in transporting some of the inhabitants of Nassau Island with their families, stock &c, to the State of Conneticut.

1777, Jan. 9, Gouverneur Morris was refunded 40/— paid by him to an Express from Gen. George Clinton with the account of Gen. Washington's successful attack at Trenton, also 24/— for printing an Address to the People of the State of New York; Jan. 14, it was ordered that £80. be advanced to Capt. Robert Castle for Obstructing the Navigation of the Hudson River; Jan. 16, James Weeks was Appointed Assistant Commissary of the Arms, Ammunition and other Military Stores, and it was ordered that he shall deliver at Fishkill, for the use of the New Lines, all Arms given up by the disbanded Soldiers at Forts Montgomery and Constitution; Jan. 27, the State Treasurer was ordered to pay £130. 3. 4 to Capt. Christopher Leffingwell for transporting families, stock &c from Long Island to Conneticut; Jan. 28, the State Treasurer was ordered to pay £500. to Robert Harpur, Chairman, to proceed with the business of the Committee; Jan. 30, Robert Yates and James Duane were paid £6. 14. "to reimburse them their expenses attending their journey to Kingston"; Feb. 25, it was agreed to pay the claims of William Fowler and John Drake for repairing the Goal in Westchester County; Mar. 1, action was taken in regard to the Commissioners of Forfeitures; Apr. 15, the Committee having ordered the purchase of Stockings and Blankets, the Convention voted £600. to Cornelius C. Schoonmaker to pay for them; Apr. 16, Matthew Adgate was paid £160. for making assays of Lead, Sulphur and Flints; May 9, it was ordered that the Accounts, of Capt. Charles Sprainger, for the Brig "Mary", should be paid.

The Committee of Safety also forwarded Powder to Cambridge; bought Supplies and Munitions of war for the Troops; paid £1. 14. 9 to Maj. Tappen for his expenses in escorting Lady Johnson to Wallkill; and, in general, proved its efficiency down to the beginning of the State Government. The importance of this Committee has never been rightly understood, or fully

appreciated. It was, in fact, the mainspring that moved all the wheels of the Government; and, as such, it is entitled to far greater credit than has ever been accorded. (See "Privateers," "Bounties," and many other Chapters in this book, showing the versatile work of the Committee).

The Refractory Militia

Early in the War, a part of the Militia in Dutchess County showed a spirit of rebellion. The Committee of Safety appointed Egbert Benson, Jacobus Swartwout and Ezra Thompson Commissioners to repress the Militia. The Committee expended £252.2.10 out of an appropriation of £300.; and the Accounts were audited, Jan. 27, 1776. On the same date, the Committee of Safety approved the report of the Auditors, and ordered the balance of £47.17.2 to be paid to the Vice-Treasurer. Philip Van Brugh Livingston, Treasurer of the Provincial Congress, Sept. 10, 1777, received £29.16. from Col. William Humfrey for fines levied on the Refractory Militia of Dutchess County.

The County Committees

The County Committees were, in effect, branches of the Committee of Safety. They were often called Sub-Committees; and, sometimes, Committees of Safety for the respective Counties. Their duties were numerous and important. They paid many bills of the Poor (See "The Poor who came out of New York City"); and raised money to pay Bounties to the Soldiers (see "Bounties"). When the Disaffected insisted that their Slaves belonged to their households and, therefore, should be taken with them over the Lines, the County Committees decided that the Slaves were personal property to remain and to be sold. Too much insistence on this point led to the imprisonment of many of the Disaffected.

In the case of several of the Counties, the documents in this Office give a very imperfect record. It is probable that some of the missing documents may be found in the Offices of the several County Clerks. Such is the fact in Albany County, at least. The list of Committeemen named under each County is not complete, in most instances, because only those names are given that appear in the documents.

In provincial Congress New York March 13th 1776

Whereas the Several County Committees in this Colony may have Occasion to Borrow Money to enable them to Defray the Contingent Charges they are or may be put to, in Support of the Cause of the United Collines, Against the Iniquitious Attempts of the British Ministry and Parliament, to enslave this Continent, and whereas the Imposition of Taxes, on the Inhabitants of the Collony, to Enable the County Committees to pay the Said Contingent Charges may be Very Inconvenient, at this Time, This Congress from an Ernest desire to Encourage the Friend to Liberty, in Supporting the Common Cause, do Resolve to Advance on Loan out of the Collony Treasury, to Each County Committee, a Sum of Money not exceeding the Sum following, for the purpose of paying the Charges aforesaid, and of making such allowances to the Deputies in provincial Congress as the respective County Committees shall judge proper, that is to say, to the City and County of New York, Twelve Hundred pound, to the City and County of Albany, Eight Hundred pound, to the County of Suffolk, the Sum of four Hundred and fifty Pound, to the County of Richmond, the sum of one Hundred and

Twenty Nine Pounds, to Kings County, the Sum of Two Hundred pounds, to the County of Orange, the Sum of Two Hundred pounds, to the County of Westchester, the Sum of four Hundred and Sixty Pound, to the County of Tryon, the Sum of Four Hundred pounds, to the County of Cumberland, the Sum of One Hundred pounds, to the County of Charlotte, the Sum of One Hundred pound, to the County of Dutchess, the Sum of four Hundred and Twenty pounds, and it is understood, that the Sum of money which several of the Counties have already Received, out of the Treasury, for their particular purposes, shall be deducted by the Treasurer, out of the Respective Sums, allowed to Such County, in the foregoing Resolution, and that the Security, given for Such Sums be delivered up, And it is resolved and ordered, that Peter Van Brugh Livingston Esqr. Treasurer of this Congress, shall and do pay to the Chairman of Each Respective County Committee, in this Collony, Such Sum or Sums of money, as the Said Committees, Shall from Time to Time Apply for, to Discharge the Contingent Charges aforesaid, of Each respective County; provided the Sum or Sums of money so applyed for, shall not in the whole amount to More than the Sum herein before alloted, to Each respective County; And that an Order of Each Respective County Committee, signed by the Chairman, and attested by the Clerk, of the Said Committee with a receipt from the Person, in whose favour, Such Order Shall be Drawn Shall be to the Said Treasurer, a Sufficient Voucher for the Amount of the Said Order.

And it is further Resolved, that Each Respective County, in this Collony, shall stand charged, and be Accountable to the Treasurer, of this Congress, for Such Sum and Sums of money as the Said Treasurer shall advance, to Each respective County Committee, pursuant to the foregoing Resolutions, and that the Same Shall be Raised, and Repaid, into the Treasury of this Congress, by Tax or Assesment, on the Inhabitants of Each Respective County, when thereunto Required by this or any future Congress of this Collony.

John McKesson Secry.

THE COMMITTEE OF ALBANY COUNTY was also at times, called the Committee of the City and County of Albany. It consisted of the following:— John Ball, John Barclay, John Bay, John Beebe, Henry Bleecker (Chairman), Joseph Clarke, Isaac Fonda, Philip Frisbe, Leonard Gansevoort (Treasurer), Cornelius Humphrey, Gerrit Lansing, Gerrit Lansing, jr. (Treasurer), Barent Mynderse, John Price, Hendrick Quackenbush, John Rogers, Myndert Roseboom, Philip P. Schuyler, John Ten Broeck, Jacob C. Ten Eyck, William Thorn, Issac Van Aernam, Johannis Van Deuson, Cornelius Van Dyke, William Van Ness (Clerk) Jeremiah Van Rensselaer, Anthony Van Schaick, Cornelius Van Veghten, Philip Van Veghten, Volkert Veeder, Bastian Visscher, Matthew Visscher (Secretary), Adam Vroman, William B. Whiting, Daniel Winna and Robert Yates. The work of this Committee began a few days after the Battle of Lexington, and but eight days after Ethan Allen had captured Ticonderoga.

Albany 18th May 1775

Memorandum of the Donations of the third ward of the City of Albany, and an Account of how the Money was expended with Extracts of the Letters Sent with the Wagoners who carried up the Provisions to Fort George for the Use of the New England Provincials at Ticonderoga, also —

Memorandum of Sundrys given to be sent to Ticonderoga 19th May, 1775

The Donations from the first ward aggregated £32.15.7; from the third ward, £68.5.10. A large quantity of provisions was also donated in the third ward.

Pork was bought of Thomas Hun, Dirck Ten Broeck, James Caldwell, Absolom Wordworth and Henry Mercelius; Mutton, of James Williams and Christophel Beekman; Veal of James Williams; Bread, of Sander Lansing; and Rum, of Peter De Wandelaer.

Fort George May 25, 1775, Received of Messrs John Ten Broeck Teunis Ts. Van Vechten, Ands. Douw & Leonard Gansevoort pr. hand of Arent Bradt three Blls Pork, one Tierce flour, one Tierce containing Seven Gammons & Eleven Sides Bacon, 1 Bll & half West India Rum, two Blls flour, one Bll Salt & one Quarter Cask Powder for the Use of the Commander at Ticonderoga.

John Stevens, Commander

Albany Committee Chamber 12th July 1775

Resolved by this Board that Messrs Jacob C. Ten Eyck, Leonard Gansevoort and Jeremiah Van Rensselaer be a sub-committee to state the accounts of the different Companies enlisted and taken into pay by this Body, as also of the monies and other necessaries paid, found and provided by this Body or any other Person by their direction and order.

And also farther resolved that after such accounts are stated that Jeremiah Van Rensselaer be furnished with the Sum of £332 out of the Paper Emission of this Committee, and that he go up to Lake George, Ticonderoga and Crown Point, where those Companies are now stationed, and, after mustering those Companies and deducting from their pay the money already advanced as above, that he pay the Officers and man upon the Continental establishment the Money in proportion to their number and pay, and that the said Jeremiah Van Rensselaer make a final settlement with those Companies, and declare to them that they for the future must look for their pay and necessaries to the officers appointed by the Continental or Provincial Congress for the purpose, and that he take with him the Warrants and deliver them to the officers at the above Stations —

Resolved that Mr. Jeremiah Van Rensselaer is by this Board appointed to go up to Lake George &c and pay the forces embodied by order of this Committee as far as the Money he shall be furnished with will serve, provided said settlement does not extend to a Date after the first Day of July.

John Bay, Secry P. T.

In 1776, the Committee carried a stove from Albany to Fishkill for the use of the Convention; paid the Deputies in the Provincial Congress 10/— per day; paid for repairing Guns and for carrying Flour to Lake George; seized the Tea of dealers who sold it higher than 6/— a pound, and resold it in small lots at 6/3; paid Volkert Dowson for keeping the Tory Goal, in Albany; transported Tories to Hartford, at a cost of £58.9.7, and to other places in Connecticut at a cost of £79. 11. 1; and transported Tories from Albany to Esopus, presumably to the Fleet Prison. The several Members often "advanced cash in Committee". On Mar. 13, the Provincial Congress voted £800 for its use; and, on July 16, £1200 for 75 men to guard the Stores and Vessels containing Provisions and Ammunition. The Committee, Nov. 6, paid £1672. 6. 11 1/4 for garrisoning Crown Point, Ticonderoga, Fort George &c.

Kings District April 21 1777

To the General Committee of the City and County of Albany —

Gentlemen —

At the time a Number of our Militia agreeable to a Request from your Board was Raised and sent off for Albany a number of Householders fearing Lest sufficient and timely Assistance for the Defence of that City and the stores therein should fail and Being Disposed to Do all on our Part for the Defence of America in General and this State in Particular immediately armed and accoutred ourselves. And with All Expedition Rode on to Albany where we arrived on the 17th instant. The party consisted of the Persons following:—Coll. Asa Waterman, Capt. Martin Beebe, Lieut. Thomas Hurlbutt, Lieut. Samuel Waterman, Lieut. John Davis, Sarjt. Daniel Smith, Sarjt. William Babcock, Sarjt. Eliezar Cady, Simeon Doty, Jessey Goold, Hosea Beebe.

The above Party Desired me, the subscriber, to acquaint the Board that they request Noth-

ing more for their service than their Expences while they were from home, which is £6.18.0, which if allowed and sent By the Bearer will be received as a full Reward.

Martin Beebe, Capt.

I do hereby certify that the above Amount is allowed and Ordered to be paid —

Mat Visscher, Sec'y

To Mr Gerrit Lansing, jr, Treasurer

In May 1777, the Committee paid £6.8.1 to William Winne for Provisions that he had purchased for the Officers and Men of his Company. On May 6, the State Treasurer was ordered, by the Committee, to pay £2 to Ezekiel Cook for conveying John Munro to Kingston. The Committee, June 1, 1777, also ordered to be paid a bill of £14.6.0 from Jacob Bleecker, jr. for his expenses in conferring with the Committee of Tryon County on the subject of electing a Senator for the Western District.

Octor 16 1777

The Honourable Committee of the City of Albany, To Hugh Deniston Dr.

To 15 Doubles toddy	a 10/8 pr	£ 8. 0.0
To 15 bottles wine	a 40/—	30. 0.0
To 24 Suppers	a 8/— pr	9.12.0
To 28 Dinners	a 10/— pr	14. 0.0
To 8 Suppers	a 5/4	2. 3.4
To 26 bottles Wine	a 40/— pr.	52. 0.0
To 29 Bowls toddy	a 5/4 pr	7.14.8
To a Bill Delivered in for the entertainment of Governor Clinton		55.10.8
		£179. 0.8

[This account was assigned by Deniston to Col. Myndert Roseboom, ordered paid by the Committee, and paid May 29, 1778]

The Committee, Nov. 14, 1777 received an invoice of 667 1/2 Bushels of Salt sent from Col. Peter R. Livingston to John Barclay, Chairman; and, on the same date, the State Treasurer was ordered to pay $20 to Isaac Doty "on account of services performed in apprehending Dangerous & Disaffected Persons to the United States"; also a bill of £25 from Nicholas Drewry for transporting Tories in his Sloop from Albany to Esopus. The Committee ordered the State Treasurer to refund £13.6.0 to John Tayler, the sum advanced by him to Capt. John Salsbury "for services by his Company performed in appprehending dangerous Persons to the State" On Jan. 17, 1778, the bills of Nathan Smith for £19.13.2, for apprehending three men whose property had been confiscated, were ordered paid; but it was stipulated that the amount should be refunded to the Committee by the Commissioners of Sequestration.

The Committee will pay any Person who furnishes Thomas Seager with an old shift the value thereof on Demand

By order, Mat Visscher

Albany 9 March 1778

Sir Mr John M. Beekman having furnished the within shift and charged 24/— for it, which is judged reasonable & ordered to be paid — By order Mat Visscher Sec'y

To Mr Gerrit Lansing, junior, Treasurer

From August, 1775 to January, 1778, the Committee expended £4922.9.9. Members of the Committee and the Sub-Committees were paid 20/— per day. The Secretary, Matthew Visscher received 10/— per day, in 1776 and 1777; but, in 1778, he received 16/—.

The records do not gives the names of the Committeemen in the Counties of Charlotte and Cumberland.

THE COMMITTEE OF CHARLOTTE COUNTY was voted £100 by the Provincial Congress, Mar. 13, 1776. On Oct. 22, the Committee of Safety ordered the State Treasurer to advance to Maj. Alexander Webster £600. for the Committee of Charlotte County to pay off the remaining half of the Bounty and one month's Pay and Subsistence of the Rangers raised in that County. The bill of the County against the State, from May 31, 1776, to Sept. 10, 1777, was £3977.10.4 1/2 for Bounty, Pay &c. This included £65 to Alexander Webster for his services as a Member of the Convention.

The Provincial Congress, Mar. 13, 1776, voted £100 to THE COMMITTEE OF CUMBERLAND COUNTY; and, July 26, the Congress gave an allowance of Lead and Flints to the Committee. On July 17, 1777, papers from this Committee were brought to the Council of Safety by Col. Eleazer Patterson, for which he was voted £50. From Jan. 13, 1776, to May 10, 1777, the Committee charged the State £9447. 1. 6 to refund several parties for Money advanced.

Egbert Benson (Chairman), John Collen, Samuel Dodge, Elnathan Gregory, Jacob Griffen (Chairman), Herman Hoffman, Frederick Jay, Nathan Pearce (Chairman), and James Weeks were THE COMMITTEE OF DUTCHESS COUNTY. The Committee was voted £420 by the Provincial Congress Mar. 13, 1776. The bill of the Committee against the State began July 22, and it reached a total of £5420. In October, 1776, the Committee appointed 11 men to guard the Powder from Rhode Island. The men guarded the Powder from the Colony Line to Red Hook. The bill of £6.4.3 against the State was, apparently, not paid.

To Nathan Pearce, Capt. or John Dusenbury, Lieut., or Zephaniah Platt, Lieut, or to Either of you these are to authorize Either of you to Disarm all Persons that are Disaffected to the Libertys of the united Colonys that have not or refuse to associate with the united Colonys according to the Resolves of the Continental Congress. Take a sufficient number of your men to assist you herein and for your So Doing this shall be your warrant. By order of the Committee Nathan Pearce, Chairman

Paulings Precinct
April 20th 1776

On May 12, 1777, the Committee paid £10.4.8—the Pay Roll of a Guard that collected Stock taken from the Disaffected in Fredericksburgh Precinct. The Commissioners for Conspiracies, May 19, paid £9.16.6 to Lieut. Comfort Shaw for apprehending Tories, by order of the Committee of Paulding's Precinct; and, on July 3, £12. to William Pearce for apprehending Disaffected persons, by order of the same Committee.

August ye 29th 1777

An a Count in Sharching for and taking a number of Parsons Suspected to Be Robers and Bringing them Before the Committee at Mr Keeler's, from thence to Poughkeepsey, By order of the Committe of Paulding's present for my Self and others 6 Days a. 8/— pr day £ 2. 8.0

To 4 men for gard 2 Days a 3/— pr day.....	1. 4.0
To 7 men for gard 4 Days an 3 nights at 5/—	7. 0.0
To 3 men for gard 1 Day and ride their one horsses 5/—	0.15.0
To my expences for mySelf and gard at Nickels and Beniaman Shenemous...	0.14.0

Expences at Mr. Keelers as pr his acct herewith delivered for the gard and horse Keeping	£9.12.4
To a gard of 4 men to Carre priseners to Poughkeepsie	1. 0.0
To Expences going to Poughkeepsie	1. 8.8
Pr me Comfort Shaw	£24. 2.0

August 12th 1778 Received of Egbt Benson, Peter Cantine & Melancton Smith, Esqr, late Commis'rs for Conspiracies &c the sum of Twenty four pounds two shillings in full of the within account. in behalf of Lieut Shaw

Ezra Keeler

Agust Ye 29 1777.

Comfort Shaw Dr. for Vitling a gard and Lickers	P.	S.	P.
to 3 Drams ar 2—8 and 2 meal of Vittels 1/4	0	10	8
to 9 meals of Vitals 1/4, 3 Drams 2—8	1	0	0
to 4 Drams 2—8, to 4 Meal of Vitals 1/4	0	16	0
to 10 Meal of Vitels 1/4, 7 Drams 2—8	1	2	0
to 6 Drams 2—8 and 6 meals of Vitels 1/4	1	4	0
to 2 Drams 2—8 and 2 Meals Vitels 1/4	0	8	0
to 7 Drams 2—8	0	18	8
to 4 Drams 2—8 and 4 Meal of Vitels	0	16	0
to 4 Drams 2—8 and 10 Meals of Vitels	1	1	4
to Candels, Loging and hors Keeping	0	8	0
	8	5	8

Errors Excepted By Ezra Keeler

Agust 31, 1777.

Garner Dr. for Vitling and Lickers for a gard one night	P.	S.	P.
to one Nip of Grog	0.	2.	8
to six Drams 2—8	0.	16.	0
to 3 Meals of Vitels 1/4	0.	4.	0
Loging hors Keeping candels	0.	5.	0
	1	7	8

Errors Excepted By Ezra Keeler

The Committee of North East Precinct charged £33. 12. 6 to the Commissioners of Conspiracies for a pursuit of Suspected persons, ordered by the Commissioners. The Dutchess County Committee paid, Sept. 1, 1777, for advances made on Bounties, and to several individuals for services, and charged the expenditures to the Commissioners of Conspiracies. In December 1777, Jacob Griffin, Chairman of the Dutchess County Committee, sent to the State a bill of £80.2.2. for sending Disaffected women out of Rumbout Precinct. The Council of Safety, Dec. 12, notified the Committee of the Embargo on the export of Flour and Meal. The Committee, Apr. 18, 1778, sent a bill of £43. 4. 0. to the State for "removing families of Persons gone over to the Enemy". The bill was approved by the Auditor-General, Dec. 28, 1778; and paid on the same date. On Apr. 3, 1778, the Committee of Fredericksburgh Precinct ordered a Guard to convey Prisoners from that place to Poughkeepsie. The bill, £26., was paid by the Commissioners of Conspiracies in the same month. The County Committee, Apr. 29, paid a bill of £65. from the Committee of Rhinebeck Precinct for a Sloop to transport Disaffected persons and their families to New York City.

The records have very little in regard to THE COMMITTEE OF GLOUCESTER COUNTY beyond the fact that it was "allowed" lead and flints, by order of the Provincial Congress, July 26, 1776.

Col. Rutgert Van Brunt, Chairman, is the only name that appears in the records of THE COMMITTEE OF KINGS COUNTY. The Committee was voted £200. by the Congress, Mar. 13, 1776. A bill of the Committee against the State, dated Mar. 27, 1776, charges £200. for cash paid to Messrs. Lott and Nagell on the credit of the County; and another, dated July 24, charges £240. which Samuel Townsend paid as a Bounty for the New Levies. The records of the Committee in this County, as in the Counties of Charlotte, Cumberland, Gloucester and Richmond, are very meagre.

THE COMMITTEE OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, had a history previous to the appointment of the Committee of Safety, July 8, 1775. More than a year before, in May, 1774, the conservative merchants of that city had appointed a Committee of Fifty-One, to urge concerted action among the several Colonies, and a General Congress as the means of making such action effective. Having succeeded in accomplishing its purpose, the Committee was dissolved, in November, 1774. It was at once succeeded by a Committee of Sixty, otherwise known as the Executive Committee. The General Assembly, still under Tory influence, refused to heed the request of the Continental Congress to choose Deputies to attend a second meeting of that body. Thereupon, the Executive Committee, in March, 1775, sent out a call to the several Counties in the Province for the Election of Deputies to a Provincial Convention to be held in the City of New York Apr. 20 for the express purpose of choosing such Delegates. The Convention did the work assigned to it, and dissolved itself, Apr. 22. Upon the following day, news of the Battle of Lexington was received. The citizens broke over all bounds, seized several Vessels and many stands of Arms, and took absolute possession of the City. They met, on May 1, and reorganized the Executive Committee. It was thenceforth known as the Committee of Resistance, the Provisional War Committee, the Committee of One Hundred, or the Committee of Association. The following were the Members of the Committee:—

John Alsop
John Anthony
Theophilus Anthony
Evert Banker
Francis Bassett
David Beekman
James Beekman
Robert Benson
John Berrien
Victor Bicker
Michaelis Bogert
Abraham Brasher
Abraham Brinkerhoff
John Broom
Samuel Broom
Thomas Buchannan
Joseph Bull
Lancaster Burling
Petrus Byvank
David Clarkson
Cornelius Clopper
Peter T. Curtenius
John De Lancey
William Denning
James Desbrosses
James Duane
Daniel Dunscomb
Abraham Duryee
Gerardus Duyckinck
Lawrence Embree
Edward Fleming
George Folliott
Walter Franklin
William W. Gilbert
Peter Goelet
William Goforth
Joseph Hallett
Benjamin Helme
Nicholas Hoffman
John Imlay
Thomas Ivers
George Janeway
Frederick Jay
John Jay
David Johnson
Samuel Jones
Garrat Keteltas
Benjamin Kissam
William Laight
John Lamb
John Lasher
Jacobus Lefferts
Francis Lewis
Leonard Lispenard
Peter V. B. Livingston
Philip Livingston
Abraham P. Lott
Cornelius P. Low
Isaac Low
Gabriel H. Ludlow
Gabriel W. Ludlow
William W. Ludlow
Alexander McDougall
John Marston
Thomas Marston
Eleazer Miller
John B. Moore
John Morton
Hercules Mulligan
Lindley Murray
Daniel Phœnix
Lewis Pintard
Jeremiah Platt
Thomas Randall
Robert Ray
John Read

Henry Remsen	Isaac Sears	John Van Cortlandt	Samuel Verplanck
Rudolphus Ritzema*	William Seton	Anthony Van Dam	Abraham Walton
Isaac Roosevelt	Richard Sharp	Augustus Van Horn	William Walton
Nicholas Roosevelt	Thomas Smith	Peter Van Schaack	John White
Comfort Sands	Oliver Templeton	Jacob Van Voorhees	Richard Yates
John Morin Scott	Joseph Totten	Jacobus Van Zandt	Hamilton Young

This Committee became, practically, the Committee of the City and County of New York. It was not, however, so directly subordinate to the Committee of Safety as were the County Committees in the other Counties; for it had under its charge the commercial interests of the largest sea-port in the Province.

The first work of the Committee was the disarming of all persons, known as "Non-Associates," who refused to help the cause of the Province as against the Crown. The documents contain several interesting Accounts relative to this stage of the contest. The Auditor-General, Peter T. Curtenius, in after years, made these comments in regard to two Claims:—

Claim of Manuel Josephson £7. 4 for arms taken from him by the Committee of the City and County of New York for not signing the Associa'n. I am acquainted with Mr. Josephson who I believe has always been a friend to his Country. He left this city a little before the evacuation in 1776 & removed with his Family to Phila & where he now resides. He ought to be paid.

John Richardson's Claim £54.18 for Armes taken from him by the Committee of the City & County of N. York for refusing to sign the Association. I was a member of the Committee at the time & Knew him to be an Inveterate Tory. He has twice applied to the Legislature for relief & failed. At one time the Committee to whom his petition was refer'd Reported Favorable, but the House did not agree with the Committee. Altho there is no law that Sequesters the property of non-associators who adhered to the enemies of this Country, I think in equity & good Conscience they ought all to be upon the same footing as those who were Enemies & had property sold by the Commis'rs Sequestra'n & therefore I think Richardson ought not to be compensated by the State.

In 1776, there was an account with the Committee of Association, by Henry Remsen and others, relative to Privateers. In the same year, the Committee took Cannon from private citizens, and removed them to KingsBridge. The Committee was given £1200 by the Provincial Congress, Mar. 13, 1776.

The following were Chairmen of THE COMMITTEE OF ORANGE COUNTY:— Peter Clows, Elihu Marvin, Roelof Van Houten. John Coe was Deputy Chairman. The names of none of the other Members of the Committee are given. On Mar. 13, 1776, the Committee was voted £200. by the Provincial Congress.

Daniel Mapes, under Sheriff and Keeper of Goshen Goal, having been ordered by the Committee to board certain Suspects, rendered a bill to the State of £35.6.3, from June 10 to Oct. 8, 1776. The bill was approved by the Auditor General July 8, 1777, and paid on the same date. The Committee, Aug. 29, 1777, approved a bill of £1.16.0 from Lieut. Resolvent Van Houten for himself, one Corporal and five Privates for bringing Prisoners to General Putnam. The bill was dated Aug. 4, 1777; and it was paid Sept. 20. The Pay Roll, Expenses and Subsistence of a Guard to prevent the escape of Prisoners from Goshen Goal (ordered by the Orange County Committee), amounting to $89.8.3 in May, 1777, was approved by the Auditor General, Dec. 12, 1777; and paid on same date. Another bill of £14.6.6., for a like service, was approved by the

* Erroneously printed "Rudolphus Ritzind" in all lists published hitherto.

Auditor General, May 1, 1777, and paid on that date. Joseph Wood, having been ordered by the Committee to suuply a Guard for Tory Prisoners in Goshen, rendered a bill of £143.19.9 from May 1 to Oct. 12, 1777. The bill was approved by the Auditor General, Dec. 15, 1777; and paid on the same date.

A Bill of the Committee of Haverstraw against the State, for £18.2.6 for money paid by the Committee of Haverstraw to Ebenezer Wood, Goal Keeper, for provisions for certain prisoners was dated Feb. 1, 1778. The bill was audited and paid Mar. 6, 1778. The Committee of Orange County, in 1778, sold several parcels of Salt that was found, the property of Frederick Rhinelander; also the effects of other Tories.

George Townsend was Chairman of THE COMMITTEE OF QUEENS COUNTY. John Talman was the sole Member, according to the records in this Office. The active work of the Committee, apparently, ended when the British took possession of New York City, and the vicinity, in 1776.

There is an account of George Townsend, Treasurer of Queens County for £1090.17.4, dated Aug. 9, 1776, for which he could send vouchers only for £24.15.10; which latter, he states under Oath, was paid "for provisions for the Guards stationed at Horse Neck and Matenincock Point and some other Incidental charges for Public use".

Sir

As the New Levies under my Command are ordered immediately to march to the West End of this Island & as their Bounty & Rations are absolutely necessary to this End — You'll therefore please to send by the Bearer hereof Thomas Jackson all the money in your hands which Convention have allowed for this purpose, his Receipt being your Discharge — Your compliance will Oblige your very humble serv't

John Sands, Col'l.

Cow Neck August 13, 1776

To George Townsend Esqr Chairman of the Committee of Queens County.

I Desire, Sir, you would Deliver the Money for the Bounty of Col Sands' Batallion agreeable to the within order — pr me

George Townsend Chairman

To Saml Townsend

The Provincial Congress, or Convention, May 9, 1777, ordered the State Treasurer to advance £200 to Queens County for the wages of the Deputies to the Congress from that County, "it being impracticable to assemble a County Committee therein".

There is no record of the Members of THE COMMITTEE OF RICHMOND COUNTY. The Provincial Congress, Mar. 13, 1776, voted £129. to the Committee; which amount, Apr. 3, was made a charge by the State against the County.

The only Members of THE COMMITTEE OF SUFFOLK COUNTY, named in the documents, are these:—William Clark, Daniel Howell, Nathaniel Roe and George Smith. This Committee was voted £400 by the Provincial Congress, Mar. 13, 1776.

Huntington ye 10th June 1775

The State of New York Dr To Jacob Brush —

June	10th	to Going to New York on a Counte of Philip Youngs a Tempting to make money, by Order of Committee the sum of	£ 2. 0. 0
July	12	to Going to fire Island to Carry one Saul and Puting him on Bourd of Capt. Rogers, by Order of Committee the sum of.....	1. 0. 0

July 12 for Carting of Baggage to Brookland ferry for Capt John Whickes Company under Coll. Josiah Smith by Order of the Committee of Huntington, the sum of..... £ 2. 0. 0

£ 5. 0. 0

State of New York to George Smith, William Clark & Nathl Roe appointed by the Committee of Suffolk County to procure Arms for the Use of the Army. For sundry Muskets taken by us & del'd to Col. H. B. Livingston for the use of his Regt as pr Deposition of the above named George Smith & apprais'd by us to the following Persons, vizt:—

1776			
May 16	Charles Tucker	1 Musket	£2.10. 0
do	David Smith	1 do	3. 5. 0
do	Nathaniel Davis	1 do	1. 0. 0
do	Desire Hawkins	2 do	2. 6. 0
do	Austin Roe	1 do	4. 0. 0
17	Azel Gerard	1 do	3. 0. 0
20	Daniel Roe	2 do	6.10. 0
do	Daniel Davis	1 do	3.15. 0
do	Jesse Roes	1 do	0.16. 0
23	William Smith	3 do	3.12. 0
		14 Muskets	£30.14. 0

The above Deposition is inclos'd in Wm Floyds Acct audited 11th April 1785

The names of only three Members of THE COMMITTEE OF TRYON COUNTY are given in the documents; and each of the three was Chairman. They were:—John Frey, John Springer and William Wills. From another source it is learned that, on June 2, 1775, a meeting of the Committee of Safety from the several Districts of Tryon County was held, at which 42 members were present. Christopher P. Yates was chosen Chairman, and the Militia was at once organized. Samuel Kirkland, missionary to the Oneidas, used his influence with that tribe to remain neutral during the War. Gen. Nicholas Herkimer was a member of the Committee from the Canajoharie District, and its Chairman. The District Committees exercised many of the powers of local government.

In Provincial Congress New York Feby 15th 1776

Mr Moore moved in the words following:— I move for the loan of four hundred pounds out of the Treasury of this Congress to defray Accounts charged against the Committee of Tryon County for Expresses, service of Minute Men, on alarms & other necessary expences — the sum so lent to be secured by the Bond of Isaac Paris, Esqr, William Wills & myself to Peter Van Brugh Livingston, Esqr, as Treasurer of this Congress & charged to the Account of Tryon County. Whereupon it was resolved & Ordered 1st that the Treasurer of this Congress Pay to Messrs Isaac Paris, William Wills & John Moore the Sum of Four hundred Pounds New York Money, and that he take their joint & several obligation for the same in his own name, payable on demand. 2dly Resolved that the obligors do with all convenient speed produce to this Congress an Account of the Monies expended by the Committee of Tryon County with the proper Vouchers & that they shall have Credit on the said obligation for such expenditures as shall hereafter be adjudged by this Congress to be a proper charge against this Colony. & it is further Resolved that the said Obligors apply to the Commissioners for Indian Affairs for the payment of such expenditures as has been made by the Committee in their Department & pay the same to the Treasurer of this Congress in discharge of the said Obligation with all convenient speed. Robt. Benson, Secr'y.

[The Congress voted another £400. to the Committee, Mar. 13, 1776.]

THE COMMITTEE OF ULSTER COUNTY consisted of the following:— Abel Belknap, David Belknap, Matys Blynjan, Robert Boyd, jr, (Chairman), Samuel Brewster, Hendrick Constable, Ephraim Depuy, Andries De Witt, jr., J. K. De Witt, Benjamin Deyo, Egbert Dumond, John Dumont, John Dunning, Coonraad C. Elmendorph, John A. Hardenbergh, Jacob Hasbrouck, Joseph Hasbrouck (Treasurer), Benjamin Huddebuk, Nathaniel Hull, Henry Jansen, Samuel King, William Lawrence, William Miller, Petrus Minderse, Thomas Palmer, Cornelius C. Schoonmaker (Chairman and Clerk), Johannis Sleght, Philip Swart, Philip Swartwout, Cornelius Tack, Jacobus Van Wagenen, Andrew Walker, James Wilkins, Dirck D. Wynkoop and William Young.

On Mar. 13, 1776, the Provincial Congress voted £360. to the Committee of Ulster County; and, on Apr. 15, 1777, £600. to pay for Stockings and Blankets. The more important transactions of the Committee in 1776, were as follows:— Apr. 19, £2.18.0 to Capt. Jacobus Roosa for Conveying Roger Barton, a Prisoner, from New Hurley to Capt. John Nicholson's at Murderer's Creek, by order of the Committee, with a Guard composed of a Captain, and Ensign, one Serjeant and five Privates; July 4, £2.6.0 to Johannis A. Hardenbergh for conveying Cadwallader Colden, jr., with a Guard of one Lieutenant and two Privates, to the Ulster County Goal, and for the care of Colden one night; Oct. 6, £4.11.6 to Charles Guyles for boarding Frederick Bender, a Prisoner, for 61 days; Oct. 25, £2. to Elias Hasbrouck for fetching Powder from John Livingston's Magazine; same date, £0.4.6 to Johannes Hardenbergh, jr., for freight on four cwt. of Lead and 200 Flints; Oct. 25, £9.11.6 to Wm Eltinge for repairing the Goals, by order of the Committee; Oct. 25, £3.3.0 to Jacobus Post, Isaac Post and John Person for scouting in the woods; Oct. 25, £1.2.0 to Cornelius C. Schoonmaker for going express with letters from the Chairman of the County Committee to Rochester and Marbletown, and for waiting upon Col. Johannes Hardenburgh to receive the public monies of the County; Oct. 26, £12. 1. 7 1/2 to Egbert Roosa for repairing the County Prison; Oct. 26, £3.15.0 to Philip Swart for self and four men to New Windsor to fetch the Powder for the Regiments of Colonels Snyder and Pawling.

In 1777, Henry Sleght "rode" various loads of Salt and Salt Petre, for which he was paid, June 20, 1781. The Committee of Safety, Feb. 1, 1777, gave the control of the Prisoners in the Kingston Goal to the Kingston Committee, the expense to be paid by the State. The courthouse, at Kingston, was repaired by the Ulster County Committee.

On May 29, 1777, the State paid a bill of the Committee of Newburgh Precinct, Dated July 14, 1776, for 186 3/4 pounds of Lead delivered to Col Hasbrouck's regiment at Ft. Montgomery. The Committee of Ulster County, July 2, 1777, ordered to be paid a bill of £13.2.0 by Johannis Osterhout and Nicholas the Indian for going to the Indian Towns. The bill was dated June 10, 1777. The State of New York paid, July 10, 1777, £2.18.0 to Capt Jacob Hasbrouck, jr., for guarding and conveying Prisoners to the Ships in the Hudson River, by order of the Committee of Ulster County. The Committee was notified, by the Council of Safety, of the Embargo on the Export of Wheat and Flour, Dec. 1, 1777. On Dec. 17, George Dennison advanced £112, Continental, to the Committee of New Windsor for the Distressed. The State, June 17, 1778, paid £95.3.6 to refund the Committee of Marbletown for removing Tory families to New Windsor, on Dec. 16, 1777.

1777 County Debet Aan Gerrit Van Keuren

Feby 1.	Aan 2 hengsells in Deume Wege 38.15 per pont	£ 2. 7.6
	Aan 16 Spikers Wege 8 pont	0.10.0
	Aan 2 hengsells in Deume Wege 35 pont	2. 3.9
	Aan 13 Spikers Wege 5 pont	0. 6.3
	Aan 2 hengsells in Deume Spikers in 6 Grendells in Cramme Wege 96	6. 0.0
	Aan 2 hengsells in Deume in Spikers in Overvall in Bont Wege 54 pont	3. 7.6
	Aan 2 Earche Wege 17 pont	1. 1.3
	Aan Cram in een Ring	0. 3.0
	[Audited by the Committee Mar. 26, 1777; and paid Apr. 9, 1777.]	£15.19.3

Sales of Lady Johnson's Goods, who went unto the Enemy from Wallkill in Ulster County. Sold by order of the Committee of Hanover March 5, 1777.

Sold Johannis Robinson 1 feather Bed		£ 17. 0.0
Do Wm Bodine 1 Bed bolster & pillows		14.15.0
Do Thos Bradin 1 Coverlid		4. 6.0
Do Joseph Montgomery 1 blanket		2. 0.0
Do Johannis Robinson 1 Rug		3.10.0
Do John Elliott 1 Slay		7. 2.0
		£48.13.0
Expences		
pd John Hunter as pr bill	£1.13.2 3/4	
Charges of Vendue	2. 4.0	
Expences 1 Day to settle the acct & pay the money	1. 4.0	5. 1.2 3/4
		£43.11.9 1/4

Willm Young Chairman

Abram Guion, Ezekiel Hawley, Abraham Legget (Chairman), William Miller and Ebenezer Ward (Chairman) were the members of THE COMMITTEE OF WESTCHESTER COUNTY. The Committee raised a company for Capt. Jonathan Horton. On Mar. 13, 1776, the Committee was given £460 by the Provincial Congress.

New York June 4th 1776

The Provincial Congress — Dr —

To Joseph Youngs Lieut in the third Rigment of Yonkers Commanded by Col. Ritzema— For 11 Days expences Going to Westchester County to Collect Arms Taken From tories and bringing them to New York at 6/6 pr. Day ..... £ 3.11.6

I hereby certify that agreeable to an Order of Congress dated ye 21st of May last I sent Lieut Joseph Youngs to Westchester County for the purpose of collecting Arms from the different Committees in the said County & that he was absent eleven Days in that service. The Arms he collected were given in to Mr Curtenius amounting to one hundred & Six, but none have come to the use of the Regmt R. Ritzema

[This bill was audited June 25th, 1776; and paid by the State, June 29, 1776]

1776 22d Octr I hereby certify that by a Press Warr^t from the Committee of Safety of West Chester County I took Capt. Alexr Ritchie's Pettiauger to convey 32 Prisoners from Peekskill to Fishkill & also the Guard 22 in Number. That Captn Ritchie did convey the Guard & Prisoners within a few Miles from Fishkill & was then ordered to land as the Wind blew so hard ahead that it was thought most prudent to land.

Micah Townsend, Captn

In 1777 the Westchester County Committee was refunded £11.4.0. by the Commissioners of Conspiracies, advanced for the expense of taking Prisoners from Westchester County to Poughkeepsie. A sale was held, Jan. 24, 1777, of the property of certain Prisoners who had deserted their parole. The sale was in charge of the Committee of Bedford, by order of the Convention; and the total was £81.8.6. The Committee of Safety, Feb. 25, 1777, ordered £21.2.6 paid to Jeremiah Fowler; and £3.10.9 to John Drake, for repairing the Goal in Westchester County; and those amounts were paid, by the State, Feb. 26, 1777. On Sept. 9, 1777, the Westchester County Committee made "An Account of Sales of Sundry Articles taken from the Disaffected Persons in Westchester County by the Guards raised by this Committee". The sales were of Provisions, Guns, and Cattle; and they amounted to £252.15.6. The Auditor-General, Mar. 4, 1778, audited an account of £82.2.8 by the Committee of Bedford, for keeping sundry Prisoners ordered there by a Committee of the Convention. On Sept. 18, 1778, the State paid a bill of £6.16.0, the balance of a bill of £10.8.0 (the remainder, £3.12.0, having been paid by the Westchester County Committee) sent in, Sept. 15, 1778, by Lodowick Light for services in taking several Prisoners from the Goal at White Plains to the Goal at Kingston.

(See "Bounties"; "The Poor who came out of New York City"; and the Special Committee for Westchester County, in the Chapter on "Commissioners of Sequestration").

THE COUNCILS OF SAFETY

THE FIRST COUNCIL OF SAFETY was appointed by the Convention, or the Fourth Provincial Congress, May 3, 1777, to form a Temporary Government until a Governor should be elected and the Legislature should meet. It held office from May 14 to Sept. 10. 1777. The Officers and Members of the Council were these:—

President — Pierre Van Cortlandt
Secretaries — Robert Benson and John McKesson
Chaplain, Rev. John Rodgers
Members

Matthew Cantine	John Sloss Hobart	Zephaniah Platt	Thomas Tredwell
Jacob Cuyler*	John Jay	John Morin Scott*	Pierre Van Cortlandt
Charles DeWitt	Robert R. Livingston*	Christopher Tappen	Abraham Yates, jr.*
Robert Harpur*	Gouverneur Morris*	Jonathan G. Tompkins*	

The Convention, May 3, 1777, Resolved that the Members of the Council of Safety should be paid 20/— for each day of actual Service; and the Council, Sept. 9, 1777, ordered the Treasurer of the State to pay, as above, on the certification of either of the Secretaries of the Council. In accordance with this, the Secretaries certified numerous Accounts for money due

* Does not appear in the documents as a Member

to President Pierre Van Cortlandt and to the several Members of the Council, all of which were paid and receipted for. The following is one of the Accounts:—

State of New York, Kingston, August 21st 1777

It is hereby certified that Thomas Tredwell Esqr hath attended The Council of Safety of this State, as a member thereof, fifty-two days commencing the 26th Day of June last & ending the 22d Instant travelling Days are included in the above Account —

Attest. Rob't Benson Secr'y. Pierre Van Cortlandt, Prest.

Recd August 21st 1777 from P. V. B. Livingston by the hands of Gerard Bancker fifty two pounds in full for my Services as above Thomas Tredwell
£52

The first act of the Council of Safety, as recorded in the documents, was, May 9, 1777, to order Capt. Charles Spraigner to produce his accounts against the Brig "Mary". Among the bills paid by the Council were these:—

1777 May 13th — The State of New York..... Dr —

To Collo. Jacob Hoornbeck for executing Jacobus Rosa and Jacob Medeagh	
To Disguising the Hangman and other Necessaries	£ 4. 0.0
To 2 Coffins	3. 0.0
To paid to persons to Bury the above Criminals	1. 0.0
To John McKneel for Erecting the Gallows &c	1. 0.0
To Jacobus Louw for Disguising the Hangman and other Necessaries	0.16.0
To money Expended for Collo. Hoornbeek for himself & Egbert Dumond in attending said Execution	2. 0.6
The above account is just and true	£ 11.16.6

By me, Jacob Hoornbeek.

In Council of Safety &c. Septr 3d, 1777 — ordered that the above Acct. be referred to the Auditor Gen'l & that he audit the same for payment — Rob't Benson, Secr'y

[This account was audited and paid, Sept. 3, 1777]

The State of New York to Comfort Sands, Dr —

To my Salary as Auditor General from the 24 April to the 24 July 1777 is 3 months at £300 p. Annum £75. 0. 0

In Council of Safety for the State of New York, Augt. 27th 1777

Ordered that the Treasurer of this State pay unto Comfort Sands, Esqr, the sum of Seventy Five Pounds for his salary as Auditor Gen'l of this State from the 24th of April last to the 24th of July last £75. Attest Rob't Benson, Secr'y By Order, Pierre Van Cortlandt Prest.

Received July 27, 1777, of Peter Van Brugh Livingston Esqr by the hands of Gerard Bancker Seventy Five Pounds in full of the within Acct. Comfort Sands
£ 75. 0. 0.

The most important transactions of the First Council of Safety were these:—June 7, 1777, Col. Peter R. Livingston was voted £4000. to purchase Salt in the Eastern States for use in this State; June 10, Peter Cantine was allowed £300. for the Commissioners of Conspiracies; June 27, Obadiah Jones, John Hulbart and Thomas Dering were given £100. to remove from Connecticut to Dutchess County some of the families, who had fled from Long Island to Connecticut, in 1776 (see "The Refugees from Long Island"); July 3, Samuel Ogden was paid a balance of £68.

for Hemp Seed; July 30, one half Pay was ordered to be paid to Thomas Done, an Invalid Soldier; July 31, Governor Clinton was authorized to draw £3000 " for present exigencies "; same date, it was resolved that the Exempts of Col. Allison's Regiment should raise money; Aug. 1, Zephaniah Platt and Charles DeWitt were appointed a Committee to write to Col. Livingston as to the places in this State, to which Salt should be conveyed; Aug. 9, the inhabitants of the Counties of Albany and Tryon were asked to assist the Refugees who were among them; Aug. 13, it was ordered that the Accounts for the removal of the British Prisoners from Connecticut should be audited; Aug. 18 and Sept. 5, it was ordered that money be paid to Cornelius C. Elmendorph, Commissary of the Fleet Prison; Aug. 27 and Sept. 1, Resolutions relating to the Fleet Prison were passed; Sept. 1, it was ordered that $100. be paid to Abraham Keater, Serjeant of a Detachment of Light Horse in Ulster County; Sept. 5, Rev. John Rodgers was paid £180. for his services as Chaplain to the Council, and for the expenses of removing his family to Kingston; Sept. 9, the Auditor-General was directed to charge to the United States the Pork and Provisions spared to the Commissary General of the Continental Army; same date, the Members of the Council voted themselves 20/—per day.

It was officially stated, Dec. 5, 1777, that the First Council of Safety expired on Sept. 10, previous. That was the date of the first meeting of the newly-created Legislature, at Kingston. The near approach of the Enemy caused the Legislature to adjourn in haste; but before doing so, Oct. 7, a Second Council of Safety was appointed with powers similar to those delegated to the First Council. THE SECOND COUNCIL OF SAFETY continued the prosecution of the War; and its duties were more complicated as the War advanced, although it was in office only from Oct. 8 to Jan. 7, 1778. The sessions were held, in turn, at Kingston, Hurley and Poughkeepsie. The Second Council, proper, contained thirteen members; but all of the Senators, Members of Assembly and Delegates from New York in the Continental Congress, were members ex-officio, and entitled to vote.

The Second Council of Safety consisted of these Officers and Members:—
President, Pro tem — Evert Bancker
Secretaries — Robert Benson and John McKesson
Members

Evert Bancker*	Robert Harpur*	John Morin Scott*	Alexander Webster*
Egbert Benson	Jonathan Landon*	Johannes Snyder*	William B. Whiting*
Daniel Dunscomb*	Levi Pawling*	Peter Pra Van Zandt*	Abraham Yates, jr.*
William Floyd			

It will be noted that Robert Harpur, John Morin Scott, and Abraham Yates, jr. were members of both Councils. The original documents in this Office show that Ebenezer Clark, Samuel Clyde, John Rowan and Cornelius C. Schoonmaker were Members, probably of the Second Council; but their names have not appeared as Members in any records published hitherto.

The chief transactions of the Second Council, during its brief existence, were these:— the Public Records were ordered to be removed from Kingston to Rochester, which was done and £15. was paid therefor on Oct. 12, 1777; Nov. 7, directions were given as to the movements

* Does not appear in the documents as a Member

and pay of a Guard which conveyed Prisoners to Albany; same date, an account of expenses for conveying Prisoners was audited; Nov. 27, the sale of Thomas Barclay's property was ordered; Dec. 4, it was resolved that Victor Bicker, jr., be nominated for a Lieutenant of Marrines for the ship "Congress", and he was directed to enlist 30 Marines for the same; Dec. 13, the Resolution of the First Council, of May 3, relative to Pay was amended so that Members of the Second Council, living at a distance and remaining over, should receive Pay for Sundays; Dec. 31, payment was made for the Great Seal of the State.

The Councils of Safety also carried on the work of supplying the Soldiers with Shoes and Stockings. For other references to the work of the Councils, consult the Chapters on "Clothing"; "British Prisoners of War"; "The Poor who came out of New York City"; and "The Refugees from Long Island to Connecticut".

The New Haven Convention

George Smart presented a bill of £8.2.8 for riding with letters from the Council of Safety to Peter T. Curtenius and William Denning requesting their attendance at the Council to receive instructions as Commissioners to the Convention about to meet in New Haven "to regulate the prices of labor &c." The bill was dated in January 1778; and paid in July 1778. The other Commissioners were Comfort Sands and William Floyd. The law of April 4, 1778 stated that the Convention was held in January and February of that year, and appropriated £30 to each of the four Commissioners for his expenses. On the same date, Mr. Sands signed a receipt for his pay. Mr. Denning received £14.15.6, August 16, 1784.

THE LEGISLATURES

The Constitution of 1777 created a Senate of 24 Members, or six each from four Districts, the Eastern, Middle, Southern and Western. For some reason, the Eastern District was at once deprived of three of its Senators; and they were added to the Southern District, which had nine. The Eastern District comprised the Counties of Charlotte, Cumberland and Gloucester; the Middle, the Counties of Dutchess, Orange and Ulster; the Southern, the Counties of Kings, New York, Queens, Richmond, Suffolk and Westchester; the Western, the Counties of Albany and Tryon.

The Assembly, by the same Constitution, consisted of 70 members, with an increase of one for every one-seventieth increase of the electors until the number 300 was reached. The first Apportionment, Apr. 20, 1777, gave this ratio:—Albany, 10; Charlotte, 4; Cumberland, 3; Dutchess, 7; Gloucester, 2; Kings, 2; New York, 9; Orange, 4; Queens, 4; Richmond, 2; Suffolk, 5; Tryon, 6; Ulster, 6; Westchester, 6.

There is no record of the Salaries that were paid to the Officers of either House; except that the Clerk of the Assembly was paid 20/— per day, 1778–1780. It is recorded that the Pay of the

Members of Assembly was 40/—per day, from Oct. 13 to Nov. 4, 1778. The Members of the Legislature were often paid in wheat or flour:

For Value received, deliver to the Order of Matthew Adgate Esqr. being for his Attendance in the Legislature, Seventy two and two thirds Bushels of the State Wheat, now in your Possession, or an Equivalent in Flour, reckoning two Bushels and an Half of the Former, equal to a Hundred Weight of the Latter, and charge the same to

72 2/3 Bus. Your most obedient Servant,
Poughkeepsie, April 15th 1782 Udney Hay State Agent.
Wm. B. Whiting Kings District.

[Indorsement] Recd. Kings District 25th May 1782 of Wm. B. Whiting the fu^ll Contents of the within Order.

Mat. Adgate.

Account of Wheat Delivered to different Members of the Legislature By virtue of an Act passed the 11th April, 1782 and agreeable to the 10th Section of an Act passed the 14th April 1782 —

	Wheat Bushels
Matthew Adgate	127
Moses Younglove	67
Peter Vrooman	119
Abraham Yates, Jr [Senator]	162
Ichabod Parker	75
Dirck Swart	72
John Van Rensselaer	116
Henry Quackenbush	42
Matthew McWhorter	115
	895 @ 6/—
	£260. 10. 0

The documents are very deficient in regard to the transactions of the Six Legislatures that were in session from 1777 to 1783, inclusive. The most important of the transactions were these: — Feb. 21, 1778, David Currie was directed to act as a Sutler to the Troops of this State; Apr.— the public records were removed from Wawarsing 15 miles to Marbletown, Ulster County; July — the records were removed from Marbletown to the Strand, and afterward to Poughkeepsie; July 8, Henry Wisner, jr., was paid for Salt Petre; June 17, 1780, the Commissary of Clothing was directed to make purchases in other States; Apr. 13, 1782, the Auditor of the State was instructed as to the settlement of Accounts with the United States; Mar. 26, 1782, Concurrent Resolutions were passed relative to a settlement with Udny Hay, the State Agent, and also relative to Property taken by Confiscation.

In the following lists of the Members of the Six Legislatures which sat from 1777 to the close of the War, care has been taken to compare all previously published lists with the signatures as shown by the documents in this Office, and to make numerous corrections.

First Session

THE SENATE — At Kingston, Sept. 9–Oct. 7, 1777; at Poughkeepsie, Jan. 15–Apr. 4, and June 22–30, 1778.

President — Pierre Van Cortlandt
Clerk — Robert Benson (also Clerk of the five succeeding Senates)
Sergeant-at-Arms — Stephen Hendrickson
Door-keeper — Victor Bicker

Eastern District
William Duer*
Alexander Webster
John Williams

Middle District
Jonathan Landon
Arthur Parks
Levi Pawling
Zephaniah Platt
Henry Wisner
Jesse Woodhull

Southern District
William Floyd
John Jones*
Jonathan Laurence
Philip Livingston, jr.*
Lewis Morris
Richard Morris
Isaac Roosevelt
John Morin Scott
William Smith
Pierre Van Cortlandt

Western District
Jelles Fonda
Reynier Mynderse
Isaac Paris*
Dirck Ten Broeck
Anthony Van Schaick
Abraham Yates, jr.

The Senators from the Southern District were appointed by the Convention, May 8, 1777. Richard Morris was appointed by the Assembly, Mar. 4, 1778, in place of John Jones. Pierre Van Cortlandt was chosen Lieutenant-Governor, in 1777; and, as such, he presided over the succeeding Senates, till 1795.

THE ASSEMBLY — At Kingston, Sept. 1–Oct. 1, 1777; at Poughkeepsie, Jan. 5–Apr. 4, and June 22–30, 1778.

Speaker — Walter Livingston
Clerk — John McKesson (also Clerk of the five succeeding Assemblies)

Albany
Jacob Cuyler**
John Cuyler
James Gordon
Walter Livingston
Stephen J. Schuyler
John Tayler**
Killian Van Rensselaer
Robert Van Rensselaer
Peter Vroman
William B. Whiting

Charlotte
John Barns
Ebenezer Clark
John Rowan
Ebenezer Russell

Cumberland
(No returns)

Dutchess
Egbert Benson
Dirck Brinckerhoff
Anthony Hoffman
Gilbert Livingston
Andrew Morehouse
John Schenck**
Jacobus Swartwout

Gloucester
(No returns)

Kings
William Boerum
Henry Williams

New York
Evert Bancker
John Berrien
Abraham Brasher
Daniel Dunscomb
Robert Harpur
Frederick Jay
Abraham P. Lott
Henry Rutgers**
Jacobus Van Zandt
Peter Pra. Van Zandt

Orange
Jeremiah Clark
John Hathorn
Tunis Kuyper**
Roelef Van Houten

Queens
Benjamin Birdsall
Benjamin Coe
Philip Edsall
Daniel Lawrence

Richmond
Abraham Jones**
Joshua Merserau

Suffolk
David Gelston
Ezra L'Hommedieu
Burnet Miller
Thomas Tredwell
Thomas Wickes

Tryon
Samuel Clyde
Michael Itdick
Jacob G. Klock
Jacob Snell**
Abraham Van Horne
Johannes Veeder

Ulster
John Cantine
Johannis G. Hardenburgh
Matthew Rea
Cornelius C. Schoonmaker
Johannes Snyder
Henry Wisner, jr.

Westchester
Thaddeus Crane
Samuel Drake
Robert Graham
Israel Honeywell, jr.
Zebediah Mills
Gouverneur Morris

Among the Members from Tryon County, the name of Michael Itdick has usually been spelled Edic; and that of Johannes Veeder, Vedder. The correct spelling has been proved by their respective signatures in these documents, with the result of settling many questions in the Veeder–Vedder families.

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Second Session

THE SENATE — At Poughkeepsie, Oct. 13–Nov. 6, 1778, and Jan. 27–Mar. 17, 1779

Eastern District
Ebenezer Russell

Middle District
Jonathan Landon
Arthur Parks
Levi Pawling
Zephaniah Platt
Henry Wisner
Jesse Woodhull

Southern District
William Floyd
Sir James Jay*
Jonathan Laurence
Richard Morris
Isaac Roosevelt
John Morin Scott
William Smith
Isaac Stoutenburgh

Western District
Reynier Mynderse
Jacob G. Klock
Dirck Ten Broeck
Anthony Van Schaick
Abraham Yates, jr.

In some of the lists previously published, the name of Sir James Jay, Knight, appears. The "Knight" should be dropped, as it is evidently a title. He was appointed by the Assembly, Oct. 7, 1778, in place of Philip Livingston, jr., deceased. Isaac Stoutenburgh was appointed, Oct. 13, 1778, in place of Pierre Van Cortlandt, advanced to the office of Lieutenant-Governor.

THE ASSEMBLY — At Poughkeepsie, Oct. 13–Nov. 6, 1778, and Jan. 28–Mar. 16, 1779.
Speaker — Walter Livingston

Albany
Leonard Gansevoort
James Gordon
Walter Livingston**
Stephen J. Schuyler
John Tayler**
Jacobus Teller
Killian Van Rennselaer
Robert Van Rensselaer
Peter Vroman
William B. Whiting

Charlotte
Albert Baker
Ebenezer Clark
David Hopkins
Elishama Tozer

Cumberland
(No returns)

Dutchess
Egbert Benson
Dirck Brinckerhoff
Joseph Crane, jr.**
Samuel Dodge
Anthony Hoffman
Andrew Morehouse
Jacobus Swartwout

Gloucester
(No returns)

Kings
William Boerum
Henry Williams

New York
Evert Bancker
John Berrien
Abraham Brasher
Daniel Dunscomb
Robert Harpur
Frederick Jay
Abraham P. Lott

Orange
Jeremiah Clark
Benjamin Coe
John Coe
Peter Ogilvie**
Roelef Van Houten

Queens
Benjamin Birdsall
Benjamin Coe
Daniel Lawrence

Richmond
(No returns)

Suffolk
David Gelston
Ezra L'Hommedieu
Burnet Miller
Thomas Tredwell
Thomas Wickes

Tryon
George Henry Bell
John Nukerk
Abraham Van Horne
Peter Waggoner, jr.
Moses Younglove

Ulster
Andrew Bevier
Matthew Rea
Cornelius C. Schoonmaker
Nathan Smith
Johannes Snyder

Westchester
Joseph Benedict
Thaddeus Crane
Israel Honeywell, jr.
Ebenezer Lockwood
Zebediah Mills
Stephen Ward**

In Charlotte County, the name of Elishama Tozer is attested by the signature of that Member. The name of Elisha B. Towner has usually appeared, hitherto. Mr. Tozer was a Member of the Third Senate.

Third Session

THE SENATE — At Kingston, Aug. 24–Oct. 25, 1779; at Albany, Jan. 27–Mar. 14, 1780; at Kingston, Apr. 22–July 2, 1780.

Eastern District
Elishama Tozer
Alexander Webster

Middle District
Ephraim Paine
Arthur Parks
Levi Pawling
Zephaniah Platt
Henry Wisner
Jesse Woodhull

Southern District
William Floyd
Sir James Jay*
Jonathan Laurence
Lewis Morris
Richard Morris
Isaac Roosevelt
John Morin Scott
William Smith
Isaac Stoutenburgh
Stephen Ward

Western District
Jelles Fonda
Jacob G. Klock
Reynier Mynderse
Abraham Ten Broeck
Anthony Van Schaick
Abraham Yates, jr.

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Lewis Morris was appointed Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, Oct. 23, 1779; and Stephen Ward was appointed to Morris' place in the Senate, Feb. 15, 1780.

THE ASSEMBLY — At Kingston, Aug. 18–Oct. 25, 1779; at Albany, Jan. 27–Mar. 14, 1780; at Kingston, Apr. 22–July 2, 1780.

Speaker — Evert Bancker (also Speaker of the three Succeeding Assemblies)

Albany
Flores Bancker
John Bay
James Gordon
Cornelius Humfrey
Hugh Mitchell
Henry Oothoudt
Henry Quackenboss
Isaac Vrooman
Phinehas Whiteside
William B. Whiting

Charlotte
Albert Baker
John Grover
David Hopkins
Noah Payn

Cumberland
Elkanah Day
John Sessions**
Micah Townsend

Dutchess
Egbert Benson
Dirck Brinckerhoff
Annanias Cooper
Samuel Dodge
Henry Ludenton
Brinton Paine
Nathaniel Sackett

Gloucester
(No returns)

Kings
William Boerum
Henry Williams

New York
Evert Bancker
John Berrien
Abraham Brasher
Daniel Dunscomb
Robert Harpur
Frederick Jay
Abraham P. Lott
Jacobus Van Zandt
Peter Pra. Van Zandt

Orange
John Coe
John Hathorn
Thomas Moffat
Bezaleel Seely, jr.

Queens
Benjamin Birdsall
Benjamin Coe
Philip Edsall
Daniel Lawrence

Richmond
Joshua Mersereau

Suffolk
David Gelston
Ezra L'Hommedieu
Burnet Miller
Thomas Tredwell
Thomas Wickes

Tryon
Abraham Copeman
Peter S. Deygart
Frederick Fox
Jacob Gardineer
Melkert Van Deusen
Peter Waggoner, jr.

Ulster
Robert Boyd, jr.
John Cantine
Johannis G. Hardenburgh
Thomas Palmer
Cornelius C. Schoonmaker
Nathan Smith

Westchester
Samuel Drake
Abijah Gilbert
Zebediah Mills
William Paulding
Philip Pell, jr.
Ebenezer Purdy

Fourth Session

THE SENATE — At Poughkeepsie, Sept. 7–Oct. 10, 1780; at Albany, Jan. 17–Mar. 31, 1781; at Poughkeepsie, June 15–July 1, 1781

Eastern District
Ebenezer Russell
Alexander Webster

Middle District
Ephraim Paine
Arthur Parks
Levi Pawling
Zephaniah Platt
Henry Wisner
Jesse Woodhull

Southern District
William Floyd
Sir James Jay*
Jonathan Laurence
Lewis Morris
Isaac Roosevelt
John Morin Scott
William Smith
Isaac Stoutenburgh
Stephen Ward

Western District
Jelles Fonda
Jacob G. Klock
Reynier Mynderse
Philip Schuyler
Abraham Ten Broeck
Abraham Yates, jr.

THE ASSEMBLY — At Poughkeepsie, Sept. 7–Oct. 10, 1780; at Albany, Jan. 17–Mar. 31, 1781; at Poughkeepsie, June 18–July 1, 1781.

Albany
Matthew Adgate
John Jacob Beeckman
James Gordon
John Lansing, jr.
Peter R. Livingston
Dirck Swart
John Tayler**
John Van Rensselaer, jr.
Robert Van Rensselaer
Isaac Vrooman

Charlotte
David Hopkins
Hamilton McCollister
Matthew McWhorter
Ichabod Parker

Cumberland
(No returns)

Dutchess
Egbert Benson
Ebenezer Cary
Samuel Dodge
Henry Ludenton
Brinton Paine
Guysbert Schenck
Jacobus Swartwout

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Kings
William Boerum
Henry Williams

New York
Evert Bancker
John Berrien
Abraham Brasher
Daniel Dunscomb
Robert Harpur
Frederick Jay
Abraham P. Lott
Jacobus Van Zandt
Peter Pra. Van Zandt

Orange
Jeremiah Clark
David Pye
Bezaleel Seely, jr.
John Stagg

Queens
Benjamin Birdsall
Benjamin Coe
Philip Edsall
Daniel Lawrence

Richmond
Joshua Mersereau

Suffolk
David Gelston
Ezra L'Hommedieu
Burnet Miller
Thomas Tredwell
Thomas Wickes

Tryon
Zephaniah Bacheler
Jacob Gardineer
Abraham Garrison
John Moore
Abraham Van Horne
Peter Waggoner, jr.

Ulster
Robert Boyd, jr.
John Cantine
Cornelius C. Schoonmaker
Dirck Wynkoop

Westchester
Samuel Drake
Philip Pell, jr.
Nathan Rockwell
Joseph Strang
Thomas Thomas
Jonathan G. Tompkins

Fifth Session

THE SENATE — At Poughkeepsie, Oct. 10–Nov. 3, 1781, and Feb. 23–Apr. 14, 1782.

Eastern District
Alexander Webster

Middle District
John Haring
Thomas Palmer
Arthur Parks
Levi Pawling
Zephaniah Platt
Henry Wisner

Southern District
William Floyd
Sir James Jay*
Jonathan Laurence
Isaac Roosevelt
John Morin Scott
William Smith
Isaac Stoutenburgh
Stephen Ward

Western District
Jacob G. Klock
Henry Oothoudt
Philip Schuyler
Abraham Ten Broeck
William B. Whiting
Abraham Yates, jr.

During this session, the seat of Sir James Jay was declared vacant because he was a Prisoner of War.

THE ASSEMBLY — At Poughkeepsie, Oct. 24–Nov. 23, 1781, and Feb. 21–Apr. 14, 1782.

Albany
Matthew Adgate
Jacob Ford
Philip Frisbie
John Lansing, jr.
George Palmer
Dirck Swart
Samuel Ten Broeck
Israel Thompson
Isaac Vrooman
Edmund Wells**

Charlotte
David Hopkins
Hamilton McCollister
Matthew McWhorter
John Williams

Cumberland
(No returns)

Dutchess
Dirck Brinckerhoff
Jonathan Dennis
Cornelius Humfrey
Ebenezer Husted
Abraham Paine
Thomas Storm
Jacobus Swartwout

Gloucester
(No returns)

Kings
William Boerum
Henry Williams

New York
Evert Bancker
John Berrien
Abraham Brasher
Daniel Dunscomb
Robert Harpur
Frederick Jay
Abraham P. Lott
Jacobus Van Zandt
Peter Pra. Van Zandt

Orange
Jeremiah Clark
John Hathorn
John Stagg
John Suffern

Queens
Benjamin Birdsall
Benjamin Coe
Philip Edsall
Daniel Lawrence
Nathaniel Tom**

Richmond
Joshua Mersereau

Suffolk
David Gelston
Ezra L'Hommedieu
Burnet Miller
Thomas Treadwell
Thomas Wickes

Tryon
Zephaniah Bacheler
Abraham Garrison
William Harper
Isaac Merselis**
John Moore
William Petrie

Ulster
Johannis Bruyn
Charles DeWitt
Johannis G. Hardenburgh
Abraham Hasbrouck
James Hunter

Westchester
Nathaniel Delavan
Abijah Gilbert
Zebediah Mills
Nathan Rockwell
Thomas Thomas
Jonathan G. Tompkins

Nathaniel Tom, of Queens County, was appointed by the Senate, Oct. 31, in place of Philip Edsall, resigned.

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Sixth Session

THE SENATE — At Poughkeepsie, July 8–25, 1782; at Kingston, Jan. 27–Mar. 27, 1783.

Eastern District
Alexander Webster
John Williams

Middle District
William Allison
John Haring
Ephraim Paine
Thomas Palmer
Arthur Parks
Zephaniah Platt

Southern District
James Duane
William Floyd
Jonathan Laurence
Isaac Roosevelt
William Smith
Isaac Stoutenburgh
Stephen Ward

Western District
Jacob G. Klock
Henry Oothoudt
Philip Schuyler
Abraham Ten Broeck
William B. Whiting
Abraham Yates, jr.

James Duane was appointed by the Assembly, July 22, 1782, in place of Sir James Jay, a Prisoner of War. Ephraim Paine, who was expelled from the Fourth Senate for neglect of duty, Mar. 15, 1781, was appointed to the Sixth Senate in place of Levi Pawling, deceased.

THE ASSEMBLY — At Poughkeepsie, July 11–25, 1782; at Kingston, Jan. 27–Mar. 23, 1783.

Albany
Matthew Adgate
John H. Beeckman
John Jac. Beeckman
Jacob Ford
John Lansing, jr.
Dirck Swart
Samuel Ten Broeck
Peter Van Ness
Christopher Yates
John Younglove

Charlotte
Benjamin Baker**
David Hopkins
Hamilton McCollister
Joseph McCracken

Cumberland
(No returns)

Dutchess
Benjamin Birdsall
Jonathan Dennis
Cornelius Humfrey
Ebenezer Husted
Matthew Patterson
Thomas Storm
Jacobus Swartwout

Gloucester
(No returns)

Kings
William Boerum
Henry Williams

New York
Evert Bancker
John Berrien
Abraham Brasher
Daniel Dunscomb
Robert Harpur
Frederick Jay
Abraham P. Lott
Jacobus Van Zandt
Peter Pra. Van Zandt

Orange
Jeremiah Clark
Gilbert Cooper
John Hathorn
John Stagg

Queens
Benjamin Birdsall
Benjamin Coe
Daniel Lawrence
Nathaniel Tom**

Richmond
Joshua Mersereau

Suffolk
David Gelston
Ezra L'Hommedieu
Burnet Miller
Thomas Tredwell
Thomas Wickes

Tryon
Zephaniah Bacheler
Andrew Finck, jr.
Frederick Fisher**
John Frey**
Christian Nellis**
William Petrie

Ulster
Johannis Bruyn
Charles DeWitt
James Hunter
William Malcolm
John Nicholson
Cornelius C. Schoonmaker

Westchester
Abijah Gilbert
Samuel Haight
John Lawrence
Zebediah Mills
Ebenezer Purdy
Thomas Thomas

After the War was over, the Legislature returned to New York City. The sessions were held as follows, down to 1797; after which date all of the sessions were held at Albany:— 1784, 1785, 1786 and 1787, at the City Hall, New York City; 1788, at Poughkeepsie; 1788, 1789 and 1790, at the City Hall, Albany; 1791, 1792 and 1793, at New York; 1794, at Albany; 1795, at Poughkeepsie; 1796, at New York. The latter was the 20th Session, the adjourned portion of which was held at Albany, Jan. 3–Apr. 3, 1797.

** Does not appear in the documents as an Assemblyman

THE CONTINENTAL CONGRESS

The documents are singularly deficient in regard to the Continental Congress. There is little information aside from the statement that the Delegates from this State were paid $7., or 34/—, per day. The Accounts of about 20 of the Delegates, for their pay, have been preserved.

State of New York to Philip Schuyler Dr.

To my services as a Delegate in Congress from 15th May 1775 to 19 June following, being 35 days	£ 59.10.0
To 6 days on my journey from Albany to Philadelphia at 34/	10. 4.0
To my Services as a Delegate in Congress from the 21 March 1777 to 27 May Inclusive, Including my journey from Albany, being in all 65 days at 34/—	115.12.0
To my Services in Congress from the 16 Nov. 1779 to 12 December, Including Journey to Congress & return to Albany, in all 27 days	45.18.0
To my Services as a Delegate in Congress from the 27 Feb. 1780 to 3 September 1780, Including Journey to & from Philadelphia, 190 Days	323. 0.0
	£554. 4.0
April 17, 1780 By Cash from the Continental Treasury 5000 Dollars at 60 for 1 is 33 2/3	33. 9.4
	£520.14.8

State of New York in Acct Currt with James Duane Esqr as Delegate

Dr.

1778 March 17	For his Services in Congress & in Committee of Congress from 3d April 1777 to this day being 348 days at 34/ pr day	591.12.0
1783 Novr 11	For his Services in Congress from 8th July 1783 to this day being 126 days at 40/	252.
		£843.12.0

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1777 July 31	By Cash reced of Mr. Duer £520.16. at 3 for 1 by the Pennsylvania Scale	£173.12.
1778 Octr 22	By Cash of Mr. Sands £641.4. at 5 for 1	128. 4.11
1783 June 23	By Cash from the Governor	200.
Octr 23	By ditto from ditto	100.
	Balance due James Duane Esqr	241.15. 1
		£843.12.

The Delegates of Apr. 20, 1775, were chosen by a Convention assembled especially for that purpose. The Delegates of May 13, 1777, were chosen by the Fourth Provincial Congress, or

Convention. After that date they were chosen by the Legislature; but they were commissioned by the Council of Appointment. The following were the Delegates from New York during the Revolutionary War:—

First Delegates
John Alsop
Simon Boerum
James Duane
William Floyd
John Haring
John Jay
Philip Livingston
Isaac Low*
Henry Wisner

Apr. 20, 1775
John Alsop
Simon Boerum
George Clinton*
James Duane
William Floyd
John Jay
Francis Lewis
Philip Livingston
Robert R. Livingston
Lewis Morris
Philip Schuyler
Henry Wisner

Mar. 29, 1777
William Duer

May 13, 1777
James Duane
William Duer
Philip Livingston
Gouverneur Morris
Philip Schuyler

Oct. 3, 1777
James Duane
William Duer
Francis Lewis
Philip Livingston
Gouverneur Morris

Mar. 25, 1778
Philip Schuyler

Oct. 16, 1778
James Duane
William Floyd
Gouverneur Morris
Philip Schuyler

Nov. 4, 1778
John Jay

Oct. 1, 1779
James Duane
William Floyd
John Jay
Ezra L'Hommedieu
John Morin Scott

Oct. 18, 1779
Philip Schuyler
Robert R. Livingston

Sept. 12, 1780
James Duane
William Floyd
Ezra L'Hommedieu
Robert R. Livingston
Alexander McDougall*
Philip Schuyler
John Morin Scott

Oct. 26, 1781
Egbert Benson*
James Duane
William Floyd
Ezra L'Hommedieu
Philip Schuyler
John Morin Scott

July 22, 1782
James Duane
William Floyd
Alexander Hamilton
Ezra L'Hommedieu
John Morin Scott

* Does not appear in the documents as a Delegate

THE EXECUTIVE

THE GOVERNOR

William Tryon was the last of the Colonial Governors to be recognized by the Province of New York — although James Robertson was appointed his successor Mar. 23, 1780; and Andrew B. Elliott, Lieutenant-Governor, Apr. 17, 1783.

The official date of the Government of the State of New York, independent of Great Britain, was Apr. 19, 1775. Thereafter, and until the operation of the First Constitution, the Presidents of the several Councils, Provincial Congresses and Conventions were the real Executives of the State. They were as follows:—

Philip Livingston Apr. 20, 1775
Peter V. B. Livingston May 23, 1775
Nathaniel Woodhull *pro tem.* Aug. 28, 1775
Abraham Yates, jr., *pro tem.* Nov. 2, 1775
Nathaniel Woodhull Dec. 6, 1775
John Haring *pro tem.* Dec. 16, 1775
Nathaniel Woodhull Feb. 12, 1776
Nathaniel Woodhull May 18, 1776
John Haring *pro tem.* June 19, 1776
Nathaniel Woodhull July 9, 1776
Abraham Yates, jr., *pro tem.* Aug. 10, 1776
Abraham Yates, jr., Aug. 28, 1776
Peter R. Livingston Sept. 26, 1776
Abraham Ten Broeck Mar. 6, 1777
Leonard Gansevoort Apr. 18, 1777
Pierre Van Cortlandt May 14, 1777

George Clinton was chosen a Delegate to the Continental Congress, by the Provincial Congress, Apr. 20, 1775. He was a Deputy, from Ulster County, to the Third Provincial Congress, in 1776; and to the Fourth Provincial Congress, or Convention, in 1776–1777. He was sworn in as Governor, at Kingston, July 30, 1777; and he held that Office all through the War, and as late as 1795 when he was succeeded by John Jay. The latter, after a single term of three years, gave way to George Clinton who again held the office for one term, 1801–1804.

When Governor Clinton was first sworn in, he was a Brigadier-General in active service; and he remained in the field until Burgoyne had surrendered, in the fall of 1777. It should detract nothing from the record of this remarkable man to state that he sometimes held rather inconsistent Offices at the same time. For instance, while he was Governor of the State he was also, for a time, the Clerk of Ulster County:—

Ulster County SS. This is to certify that Joseph Gasherie and Christopher Tappen, Esquires, have respectively lodged in the Clerk's Office of this County Bonds in the Sum of seven thousand Pounds each, executed by the said Joseph Gasherie and Christopher Tappen respectively and others their respective Sureties, to the People of the State of New York, with Condition for the true and faithful Performance of their Office as Loan Officers of the County.

of Ulster, and which said Bonds have respectively an Indorsement thereon — signed by one of the Judges of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and a Majority of the Supervisors of the said County signifying their Approbation of such Security — agreeable to the Tenor of the Act in that case made and provided. Dated this 16th Day of May Anno Domini 1786.

Geo. Clinton, Clk.

It should be to the credit of Governor Clinton that a careful estimate of his services to the State makes it appear that if the Offices he held had been held successively, instead of doubling-up, or overlapping, his term of office-holding was about 90 years.

It is not the purpose of this Chapter to give details of the life and work of Governor Clinton beyond those that appear in the documents preserved by this Office. Those who are interested further should consult "The Public Papers of George Clinton", now in process of publication by the State Historian, Hon. Hugh Hastings.

On July 31, 1777, only a day after his inauguration, the Council of Safety authorized Governor Clinton to draw not to exceed £3000 "to answer the present Exigencies of the State". From that time to the close of the War his hand was apparent in everything.

Accounts of Governor Clinton

Governor Clinton's general Accounts, or summaries of his smaller Accounts, are of great interest. Here are several of them:—

Dr. His Excellency Governor Clinton in a/c with the State of New York

1777 Augt	16	To cash Received from the Treasurer	£ 200. 0. 0
1778 May	16	To ditto £1000 Continental	1000. 0. 0
1779 March	16	To ditto the Ballance agreeable to an act of the Legislature dated 13 May 1779	1204.10. 6
			2404.10. 6

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1779 March	20	By amount of his account to the Legislature amount in Continental money to be charged specie £2404.10.6 is for Continental charges £14 £12 £20 £8.8 £2.8 £1.4 £3.12	61.12. 0
		& for State Expenses	2342.18. 6
			£2404.10. 6

Dr.

1779 Sept	5	To cash received from the Treasurer	£1000. 0. 0
1780 July	10	To ditto the Ballance agreeable to an Act of the Legislature dated 13 March 1780	2314.19. 7 1/2
			£3314.19. 7 1/2

Cr.

1780			
July	10	By amount of his account delivered to the Legislature for State Expenses	£3314.19. 7 1/2
			£3314.19. 7 1/2

[Comment by the Auditor General:—]

To exhibit to the Legislature an account of the incidental expenses in administering the Government from the commencement of it to the present day it will be necessary to observe

That by the Governor's first account up to the 8 March 1779 it will appear that he had expended		£2404.10. 6
Granted by the Council and received from the Treasurer in August 1777 for incidental expenses	£ 200. 0.0	
Granted by the Legislature in the Spring of 1778 & received from the Treasurer	1000. 0.0	
The Ballance of £1204.10.6 was provided for by Act passed the 13th March 1779 and rec'd from the Treasurer in that Month.		
In March 1779 the farther sum of £1000 was granted by the Legislature for incidental Expences		
The Governor advanced from the 8th March 1779 to March 1780 as by his 2d account rendered	3314.19.7	3314.19.7
		£5719.16.1

The Ballance of £2314.19.7 was provided for by Act of 13 March 1780 and received from the Treasurer 22d Septr 1780

N. B. The above with the accounts now delivered will shew the whole Expense of Administering the Government from its commencement to this day — New York 29 March 1784.

This is the detail of a part of the above Account:

1777	The State of New York To his Excellency Governor Clinton. Dr.	
August	To cash paid to the Hon^bl. Abraham Yates Esqr. for so much advanced by him to an Express with public Dispatches from Albany	£ 5:16: 0
	To Cash paid sundry Persons for riding Express on State Business. Vouchers lost at Kingston. Am^o. collected from private memorandum	11: 4: 0
Nov^r.	To cash paid an Express from pleasant Valley to Kingston with Orders for Troops at Hurley to remove to New Windsor and to dismiss the militia	3: 4: 0
1778	To Cash advanced in Specie to Andrew Billings Esqu^r. towards making a great Seal for the State — as pr Rec^t.	16: 0: 0
4 March	To Cash paid Thomas Henderson for going Express to Hartford with Dispatches from his Excellency General Washington to Colo. Champion as pr Rec^t	14: 0: 0
9th	To Cash paid for making a Rolling Press for Secretary's Office & for Materials as pr Rec^t	26: 4: 0
11th	To Cash paid Wm. Kinnan for striking off Copper Plate Commissions and for Ink for the same as per Rec^t	3: 4: 0
13th	To Cash advanced to Colo. Willett for his Expenses in going to Cumberland County and delivering Civil and Military Commissions to the Officers appointed for that County and in performing other Services there	34: 0: 0

1778 15th March	To Cash paid William Balden for going Express to Albany with Dispatches from Congress to the Marquis De la Fayette then commanⁿ. at Albany — as pr Recᵗ.—	£ 12:0:0
20th	To Cash paid Thomas Henderson for going Express to Albany with Dispatches to the commanding officer	20: 0: 0
April 1	To Cash paid to Colo. Dubois advanced by him to Stephen Henderson to pay Expresses with Orders to the Militia of Dutchess County — as pr Recᵗ.—	4: 0: 0
7th April	To Cash paid David Barclay for going Express to Albany with Commissions & Proclamations for holding Courts &c. as pr Recᵗ	13: 0: 0
	To Cash paid David Barclay for going Express to Congress at York Town with the Exemplifications of the Act ratifying the Confederation between the United State as pr Recᵗ	49: 8: 0
	To Cash paid Richard Hatfield Esqur. in Part for his Services in the Secretary's Office as my private Secretary and as Clerk to the Council of Revision	72: 0: 0
11th	To Cash paid an Express to Mr. Loudon Printer at Fishkill for a Copy of an Act of the Legislature for filling up the Continental Battalions raised under Direction of this State	1: 0: 0
19th	To Cash paid Edward Schoonmaker for going Express to Albany to carry Orders &c. to Genl. Ten Broeck to draft his Brigade for filling up the five Continental Battalions raised in this State with a letter to Genl. Schuyler requesting his attendance at Congress	8: 8: 0
24th May	To Cash paid an Express to Colo. Woodhull to request his attendance on the Council of Appointment	3: 8: 0
2d June	To Cash paid an Express with Orders to the Militia of Ulster County for Defence of the Frontiers	2: 8: 0
17th June	To Cash paid Capt. Tudor for Bees Wax for Secrʸ's Office as pr Rect.	12:12: 0
27th	To Cash paid an Express to Fish Kills with Dispatches for the State Delegates in Congress with Copies of sundry Papers respectⁿ. the disaffected Inhabitants on the Grants to be forwarded from thence by Genˡ. McDougal	1: 4: 0
30th	To Cash paid the Honᵇˡ. Arthur Parks Esqr. for so much by him paid to Expresses employed in August last to Carry orders to the Militia as pr Rect	2:16: 0
5th July	To Cash paid the Honbl. Pierre Van Cortlandt Esqr. for so much advanced by him to Geo. Barlow to ride Express from Hurley to New Windsor for Directions respecting the procuring Provision for Continental Troops then at Hurley on their March from Albany to N. Windsor as pr Rect	3:12: 0
18th	To Cash pd. different Persons going Express to the Officers commandⁿ. Regiments of Militia in Ulster & Orange with Orders for them to meet at the New Paltz to consult on proper measures for Defence of the Frontiers of those Counties	9: 4: 0
28th July	To Cash paid Thomas Henderson for riding Express with Dispatches to his Excellency Genl. Washington at the White Plains	10: 0: 0
4th Septr.	To Cash paid Colo. Wynkoop for his services in going with Public Dispatches in August last to Genl. Harkimer in Tryon County having orders to assist in arranging and calling out the Militia of that County as pr Rect	29:16: 0
To	To Cash paid Richard Warner on Express with Orders to Militia of Dutchess County to reinforce the Posts at West Point	4:16: 0

1778		
20th Novr.	To Cash paid Major Jesse Brush for apprehending & securing the Body of Claudius Smith agreable to my Proclamation founded on the concurrent Resolutions of the Senate and Assembly as pr Rect.	£ 480:0:0
5th Decr.	To Cash paid Henry Wisner Esqr. for so much advanced by him to James Savage for riding Express to Albany with Intelligence for Genl. Ten Brook as pr Rect.	12: 0: 0
1779	To Cash paid for 3 reams of Paper for Public use	24: 0: 0
Feby. 16	To Cash paid Gerard Bancker Esqr. for 10 Skins Parchment for State Commissions as pr Rect.	16: 0: 0
	To Cash paid Henry Livingston Esqr. for 6 skins for do as pr Rect.	9:16: 0
	To Cash pd. to different Persons for 8 skins of Parchment for the like use as per memorandum	12:16: 0
	To Cash pd. for Postage of public Letters at different Times	3:10: 8
19th	To Cash pd. Richard Warner on Express to Judge Hobart to request his Attendance at the Council of Revision as pr Rect.	15: 8: 0
26th	To Cash pd. Abner Thorp for apprehending & securing the Body of Jas. Smith son of Claudius Smith agreable to my Proclamation founded on concurrent Resolutions of Senate and Assembly as pr Rect.	240: 0: 0
March 1st	To cash pd. Colo. Swarthout his Account for Expenses as pr. Vouchers	37:12: 0
	To Cash paid David Barclay his Acct. as State Express as pr. Account and Receipt	872: 0: 0
1 March	To Cash paid Abrm. B. Bancker for Pay & Expences of himself Mr. Peter Wynkoop and a Guard of a Serjeant and five men in conveying 100,000 Dollars from Philadelphia to the Treasury of this State — as pr Acct. & Rect	308: 3:10
		2404:10: 6

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By Cash received from the Treasury in August 1777 pursuant to a Resolution of the Council of Safety	£ 200:0:0	
By Cash received from the Treasury pursant to the Act of the Legislature granting that sum for Contingent expenses	1,000:0:0	1200: 0:0
Bal.		£1204:10:6

Geo. Clinton
2nd March 1779.

Rec'd. March 29th 1779 from Gerard Bancker Treasurer One thousand two hundred and four pounds ten shillings and Six pence (including Sixteen pounds in specie) in full for the above Account pursuant to a Law passed the 13th instant intitled "An Act for the payment of the salaries of the several Officers of Government and for other purposes therein mentioned".

£1204:10:6. Geo. Clinton

No. 2215. Govr. Clinton
£1204:10:6.

Dr. His Excellency Governor George Clinton in a/c with the State of New York Cr
Salary Accot

	To Received out of the Monies taken on Loan as by Act of the Legislature dated 14 April 1782	£8057.15.10
1782		
July 1	To ditto pursuant the aforesaid Act	1500.

1783 July 1	To ditto pursuant the aforesaid Act	£ 1200.
1785 April 14	To Received from the Treasurer for Salary	1500.
Decr 22	To Received from ditto on Account of Salary	360.
1786 April 12	To received from ditto ditto	86.16
May 29	To received from ditto ditto by Benson	50.
	To Ballance due the State on Account of Contingenc	67.17. 3
	Ballance due His Excellency	2435. 6. 9
		£15257.15.10

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	By Ballance due on former Account Audited by the Treasurer pursuant to an Act of the Legislature dated 14 April 1782	£8057.15.10
1782 July 1	By so much allowed for Salary pursuant to the abovementioned Act from 1 July 1781 to 1 July 1782 is 1 Year	1500.
1783 July 1	By ditto pursuant to an Act dated 26 March 1783 from 1 July 1782 to 1 July 1783 is 1 Year	1200.
1784 July 1	By ditto pursuant to an Act dated 12 May 1784 from 1st July 1783 to 1 July 1874 is 1 Year	1500.
1785 July 1	By ditto pursuant to an Act dated 27 April 1785 from 1 July 1784 to 1 July 1785 is 1 Year	1500.
1786 July 1	By ditto pursuant to an Act dated 5 May 1786 from 1 July 1785 to 1 July 1786 is 1 Year	1500.
		£15257.15.10

Here are several individual Accounts that were paid by the Governor:—

1777	The United States to Corns D. Wynkoop	Dr.
Augt	To his services going up to Schenectady in order to assist Genl Harkerman raising the Militia for Securing the Frontiers &c 14 Days	£15. 0. 0
	To expenses paid out of my pocket	14. 0. 0
	To do horse hire going from New Paltz to New Windsor	16. 0.
Poughkeepsie Septr 4th 1778		£29.16. 0

Recd of his Excellency Governor Clinton the above sum of twenty-nine pounds sixteen shillings

Cornelius D. Wynkoop

	The State of New York to David Barclay	Dr.
	To riding Express for his Excellency Governor Clinton from May 2d 1778 to Novr 2d, inclusive, including Horsehire and expenses a £75 per mo.	£472.
	& to the like service from the 2d Novr 1778 to the 2d March 1779 a £100 per mo.	£400.
		£872.

2d March 1779 Recd from his Excellency Governor Clinton Eight Hundred and Seventy two Pounds being in full for my services as Express Rider agreeable to the above Acct.

David Barclay

Poughkeepsie Decr 11th 1781 — Recd of his Excellency Governor Clinton the Sum of two Pounds thirteen Shillings and three pence in specie in part for my services and Expenses in going Express from Lt. Colo. John Van Rensselaer at Sinkaick to Genl. Gansevoort at Albany & from Genl. Gansevoort to his Excellency the Governor at Poughkeepsie to give Information of an Insurrection which had taken place in Genl. Gansevoort's Brigade.

£2.13.3 Caspar Rouse

Entertainments

November 25th 1783

His Excellency Governor Clinton To Saml. Fraunces Dr.

To an Entertainment	£30..4..0
To 75 Bottles of Madeira at 8/	30..
To 18 Ditto of Claret at 10/	9..
To 16 Ditto of Port at 6/	4..16..
To 24 Ditto of Porter at 3/	3..12..
To 24 Ditto of Spruce at 1/	1..4..
To Lights 60/ Tea & Coffee 64/	6..4..
To Brokeg	2..2..
To Punch	10..10..
	£97..12..

The above Bill is for an Entertainment on taking Possession of the City when the British evacuated the Southern District. Rec^d the Contents in full 2d Feby. 1784.

30 1/2 pts at 64/	£ 96..0..0	Saml. Fraunces
4 Dollars	1..12.0	
	£ 97..12.0	

The State of New York to John Cape Dr.

To a Dinner Given by His Excellency the Governor and Council to their Excellences the Minister of France and General Washington etc.

1783 December	To 120 dinners at	48: 0:0
	To 135 Bottles Madeira	54: 0:0
	" 36 ditto Port	10:16:0
	" 60 ditto English Beer	9: 0:0
	" 30 Bowls Punch	9: 0:0
	" 8 dinners for Musick	1:12:0
	" 10 ditto for Sarvts.	2: 0:0
	" 60 Wine Glasses Broken	3: 0:0
	" Coffee for 8 Gentlemen	1:12:0
	Music Fees &c	8: 0:0
	" Fruit & Nuts	5: 0:0
		£156:10:0
	By Cash	100:16:0
		£55:14:0

We a Committee of Council having examined the above account do certify it (amounting to one hundred and fifty six pounds ten shillings) to be just.

December 7th 1783

Isaac Roosevelt
Jas. Duane
Egbt. Benson
Fed Jay

Received the above Contents in full New York 17th December 1783

John Cape.

Pledges by the State

On Dec. 22, 1780, and on many other occasions, Governor Clinton directed certain Officers to impress Wheat as a Bounty for their Soldiers. One of his chief services, however, was the raising of Money by pledging the faith of the State. In 1780, numerous parties advanced Money to the American Prisoners on Long Island, on the strength of such Pledges. In 1782–1783, the Governor paid several amounts to Hendrick Wyckoff, Aspinwall Cornwall, Thomas Wicks, Robert Morris, Nicholas Covenhoven, Col. William Allison and Col. James McClaughry for procuring Money on Long Island, and elsewhere. Nearly all of the Pledges were in the hand-writing of the Governor. Here is a specimen of the form generally in use:—

£500 State of New York, SS. Pursuant to an Act of the Legislature authorizing the same The faith of the said State is hereby pledged for the Repayment of the Sum of five hundred Pounds Current Money of the said State in Specie with Interest at the Rate of Six per Cent per Annum to Mr. John Brush within one year after the Conclusion of the present War with Great Britain. Given at Pokeepsie this 20th Day of September 1782.

Test
Thos. Wickes.

Geo. Clinton.

[Indorsed as follows]

John Brush £573:12:0 Recd. March ye Third 1785 from Gerard Bancker Treasur. five Hundred Seventy three pounds twelve Shillings in full discharge of the principle and Interest of the Within note.

John Brush.

The names of the men and women who cashed these Pledges should be preserved. Many of them, perhaps all, never expected to receive their money again; but it is evident that most of them were paid, with interest. (See the law of May 6, 1784). This is the Roll of Honor:—

Allison William [Col.]
Antonides Peter
Areulanias Philip
Barcalo Harmanes
Bennet James
Bennet John
Bennet Wynant
Bergen Johannes
Bergen Michael
Boerum Jacob
Bogert Isaac
Borum Mary (Widow)
Brush John
Burtis Abraham
Burtis John
Butler John
Carll John
Carll Phineas
Carll Platt
Carll Timothy
Clopper (Miss)
Cock Daniel
Cock William
Coles Nathaniel
Colyer Peter
Cornwall Aspinwall
Cornwell Obadiah
Cortelyou Isaac
Cortelyou Jaques
Cortelyou Simon
Covenhoven Nicholas
Covenhoven Rem
Ditmars Abraham
Duryee Abraham
Duryee Jacob
Duryee Johannes
Duryee Joost
Duryee Peter
Dusenbury Denton
Eldert Catharine
Eldert Hendrick
Ellison Gabriel
Elsworth Thomas
Everit Benjamin
Gansevoort Peter [Col.]
Harper Alexander
Hegeman Elbert
Hegeman Rem
Hegeman Sytie
Hendrickson Isaac
Hendrickson John [Maj.]
Hix Charles
Horton Nathan
Johnson Anne
Johnson Barent
Kerchow Jacob
Ketcham Zebulon
Kissam Daniel W.
Lattin William
Lefferts Barent

Lefferts Jacob
Lefferts James
Lefferts Leffert
Lefferts Peter
Lequier Abraham
Livingston Henry B. [Col.]
Lott Hendrick
Lott Jannetje
Lott Johannis E.
Lott Stephen
Luyster John
McClaughry James [Col.]
McGraw Alexander
Martinse Adrian
Martinse George
Martinse Gerrit
Mesherol John
Money Samuel
Monfort Peter
Morris Robert
Nostrand Cornelius
Nostrant John
Oakley Samuel
Onderdonk Andrew
Payne Lewis
Polhemus Jacob
Powers George
Rapalje Tunis
Remsen John
Remsen Rem A.
Rogers John
Sands John [Col.]
Schenck Abraham
Schenck John
Schenck Martin
Schenck Peter
Schultz Christopher
Searing Coe
Searing Gilbert
Skilman Thomas
Skilman William
Smith John
Smith Philetus
Smith Timothy
Snyder William
Sperry Jacob
Stillwell Richard
Suydam Hendrick
Suydam Jacob
Suydam Lambert
Thompson Isaac
Thorne John
Thorne Richard [Maj.]
Tillotson Thomas
Titus Charles
Titus Francis
Titus John
Townsend James
Townsend Pryor
Townsend Sylvanus
Valentine Philip
VanBrunt Adrian
VanBrunt Albert
VanBrunt Nah.
VanBrunt R.
VanBuren James N. [Dr.]
VanBuren John H. [Dr.]
VanCortlandt Philip [Col.]
Vanderbilt Jeremiah
Vanderbilt John
Vanderbilt John I.
Vanderveer Cornelius
Vanderveer Hendrick
Vanderveer John
VanDuyne Cornelius
VanPelt Wynant
VanSchaick Goose [Col.]
VanSideren Ulphianus
VanSinderen Femmetje
VanVarch John
VanVoorheis Adrian
VanVorst Cornelius
Voorheis Abraham
Wickes John
Wickes Thomas
Williamson Rem
Wright John, jr.
Wyckoff Cornelius
Wyckoff Hendrick

Governor Clinton also took Money on Loan (See the Loan Office in the Chapter on "The Treasurer").

The Temporary Government in the Southern District

The keen vision of Governor Clinton was evident in his anticipation of the end of the War, the Evacuation of New York City by the Enemy, and the preparations for Establishing a Temporary form of Government in the Southern District. This District then comprised the Counties of Kings, New York, Queens, Richmond, and Suffolk and Westchester — all of which had been in the possession of the Enemy since the Summer of 1776.

Laws relating to the Temporary Government were passed:— June 29, 1778; Oct. 23, 1779; Nov. 27, 1783 and May 12, 1784. The Council for the Temporary Government of the Southern District, as shown by the documents in this Office, consisted of the following:—

President — Richard Morris
Secretary — James M. Hughes
Door-Keeper — Victor Bicker
Members

Abraham Becker
Egbert Benson
Jeremiah Clark
Gilbert Cooper
Daniel Dunscomb
Gilbert Drake
John Sloss Hobart
Jacob G. Klock
John Lansing, jr.
Johannis E. Lott
William Malcomb
Richard Morris
Henry Rutgers
Jacobus Swartwout
Rutger Van Brunt
Peter Pra. Van Zandt

The accounts against the State recited the attendance of several of the Members of the Council:— Klock, 24 days, Nov. 23–Dec. 13, 1783, and Jan. 15–17, 1784; Lansing, 15 days, Nov. 22–Dec. 6, 1783; Lott, 2 days, Jan. 6–7, 1784; Swartwout, 15 days, Dec 1–6, 1783, and Jan. 9–17, 1784; Van Brunt, 2 days, Jan. 6–8, 1784; Van Zandt, 39 days, Nov. 27, 1783,–Jan. 6, 1784; Bicker, door-keeper, 55 days, Nov.26, 1783,–Jan 20, 1784.

Governor Clinton, in March, 1783, paid £539.4 for contingent expenses attending the work of the Council. Some of the most interesting of the Accounts paid by the Governor were these:—

The State of New York to Colo. Smith:—
To Cash paid on Express sent to the Governor from New York for directions respecting the Provost when the British were about to leave town. 18/8

1783 The State of New York to Richard Morris Dr.

May	To my Expenses of Self, Servant and three Horses going to the county of Westchester to establish Civil Government by order of the Governor, Eight Days on the Road	£ 14.18. 8
	My Expences at East Chester to the 6th July, as per Guion's bill	32.19. 8
	To Expences at New Rochell, Westchester and other places not included in that bill	3.10. 0
	To my Expences on my Return five Days by the way, myself Sick, three Horses & Servant	9. 6. 8
	Cash paid Messenger sent to Sir Guy Carleton in order to apprehend some Robbers said to be on the Islands called Brothers	2. 0. 6
		£62.14.10

I have in my custody a Horse claimed by the Wife of one Embree that belonged to De Lancey Corps. She could not make Proof of her property. I therefore suppose it to be a stolen Horse; have kept it in hopes the owner would apply, none has yet applied.
New York March 24th 1784. Ri'd Morris

New York 19th May 1784. Received of his Excellency Governor Clinton thirty three pounds four Shillings on Account of Richard Morris Esquire on Acct of his Expenses in attending the Establishment of Governt in Westchester County.
£33.4.3 L. R. Morris

The State of New York in Account with James M. Hughes

To 60 Days Service as Secretary to the Council for exercising the Temporary Government in the Southern District, which is Eight weeks and four Days at £10 per week	£ 85.14. 3
To my Expences going to New York from Harlem by order of the Council	2.13. 0
To one Ink Stand for the use of the Council	10. 0
	£ 88.17. 3

The Committee of Council appointed for Auditing Accounts Report that in their Opinion the Secretary ought to be allowed Ten pounds p. Wek for the time that he has been employed by the Council as Such
W. Malcom
Jany1784 Henry Rutgers

Received 13th February 1784 from His Excellency Govr Clinton Eighty Eight Pounds 17/3 in full of the above Account
James M. Hughes.

The State of New York to Governor Clinton Dr.

For Contingent Expences attending the taking possession of the Southern District of the State	
To Cash paid Mrs. Day for a Room and accommodation for the Council while at Haerlem as p. Account audited by a Committee of the Council	32.18. 0

To Cash paid Samuel Fraunces for an Entertainment for the Military and other public Officers on entering the City as p. receipt.....	97.12. 0
To Cash paid John Cape for an Entertainment, by direction of the Council, to the Minister of France &c &c as p. Account audited by the Committee	156.10. 0
To Cash paid John Cape for a Room and accommodation for the Council as Acct. audited by the Committee	109. 2. 4
To Cash paid Miles Hughes Sec'y to the Council for his services and disbursements as p. account Audited by the Committee.....	88.17. 3
To Cash paid Robert Benson, Esqr. for Disbursements made by him as p. account	14. 8. 0
To Cash paid Anthony Griffith for a Flagg p. account	23. 9. 6
To Do paid Jones & Ross for Do. p. Acct	16. 4. 3
Ballance carried to Account No. 6.	£ 539. 1. 4

George Clinton

The State of New York to John Cape.....Dr.

To the following Expences Incurred by the Council for Executing the temporary government, Viz:—

1783		
November 25	To 3 Bottles Madera	£ 1. 4. 0
	To 6 Large Bouls punch	1.16. 0
26	To 3 Bottles Madera	1. 4. 0
	To 4 Bouls punch	1. 4. 0
	To 1 ditto Grog	2. 0
	To 1 ditto punch	6. 0
	To pipes & tobacco	6. 0
27	To 4 Bouls punch	1. 4. 0
	To 2 ditto Grog	4. 0
	To 1 pint Madera	4. 0
	To pipes & tobacco	10. 0
28	To 5 Bouls punch	1.10. 0
	To 2 ditto Grog	4. 0
	To pipes & tobacco	4. 0
29	To 4 Bouls punch	1. 4. 0
	To 2 ditto grog	4. 0
	To pipes & tobacco	4. 0
	To the Room & fire one day.....	14. 0
	To ditto 4 days	2.16. 0
30	To 3 Bouls punch	18. 0
	To pipes & tobacco	4. 0
	To Grog	2. 0
	To paid for Invitation Cards	6. 4
		£ 16.14. 4

[The Account ran on in the same way till January 20, 1784, the total being £109.2.4, (See the general account, next above), being "examined & approved" by W. Malcom, J. Lansing, jr. and Henry Rutgers, the Committee of the Council for auditing accounts.]

Received from his Excellency Governor Clinton Payment in full of the above Account this 6th Day of Feb'y, 1784. John Cape.

The Council of Appointment

Under the first Constitution of the State, this body was the successor of the Executive Council of the Colonial period. It was composed of one Senator from each of the four Senatorial Districts. The term of office was one year, and the salary was 8/— per day. The Assembly appointed the Members of the Council. The Governor was the President, but he had a casting vote only. The Governor asserted, and sustained, his right to make nominations to the Council; but this right was taken away from him by the Constitutional Convention of 1801, which decided that any Member of the Council might nominate. The power of the Council grew stronger every year; so that, in 1821, 6663 Civil Officers and 8287 Military Officers held commissions under it. This centralization of power was so unpopular that the Constitutional Convention of 1821 abolished the Council by a unanimous vote.

The documents contain many appointments by the Council during the War; among them being the Commanders of several of the Privateers. The Members, at different times during the War, were the following, the * indicating that their names do not appear, as Members, in the documents in this Office:— George Clinton, President; Robert Harpur, Clerk; Elkanah Day *, Ebenezer Russell and Alexander Webster, from the Eastern District; John Haring *, Ephraim Paine *, Arthur Parks *, Levi Pawling, Zephaniah Platt * and Jesse Woodhull *, from the Middle District; Jonathan Lawrence *, Isaac Roosevelt, John Morin Scott *, Isaac Stoutenburgh * and Stephen Ward, from the Southern District; and Rynier Mynderse, Henry Oothoudt, Abraham Ten Broeck, D. Wessel Ten Broeck*, William B. Whiting and Abraham Yates *, from the Western District.

The Private Secretary

The records, and more particularly those relating to Commissions and Appointments, show that Richard Hatfield acted as Private Secretary to Governor Clinton. Stephen Lush also acted as Secretary. The office of Private Secretary was not created, by law, till some time after the close of the War.

THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR

This Office was filled, at irregular intervals, during the rule of the Crown; but the Constitution of 1777 made it a permanency. Pierre Van Cortlandt held the office from 1777 to 1795, when he was succeeded by Stephen Van Rensselaer. (See the Chapter on " The Legislature ").

THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL

John Tabor Kempe was the last Attorney-General under the Colonial Government. On the breaking out of the War, his authority was repudiated, and his property was afterward sold for disloyalty to the American cause. The Convention appointed Egbert Benson to the Office, May 8, 1777; and he also took the Office, under the first Constitution, Jan. 15, 1778. Mr. Benson was the Attorney-General throughout the War, and till 1788. There are many important documents signed by him, and by some of his successors:— Richard Varick, Morgan Lewis, Ogden Hoffman and Abraham Van Vechten. The absence of all documents signed by Aaron Burr, as Attorney-General, confirms the belief that they have been removed from this Office.

THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Previous to the creation of this Office many of its duties were performed by the Secretary of the Provincial Congress (See the Chapter on " The Provincial Congresses ".) The Office was created by the First Constitution of the State, and the incumbent was appointed by the Council of Appointment. John Morin Scott was appointed Mar. 13, 1778. He held the Office through the remainder of the War; and down to Oct. 23, 1789, when Lewis Allaire Scott was appointed his successor. John Morin Scott, as the First Secretary of State, was paid for his work in fees; and among the documents there are many of his bills for services. His deputies were Robert Harpur and Lewis A. Scott.

The Secretary of State had charge of many of the Public Records, a great responsibility in the days when the Government was migratory. In recent years, the Secretary of State has had the direction of the decennial Census of the State. The Census of 1783 was taken by the Surveyor-General (See the Chapter on " The Surveyor-General ".)

THE AUDITOR-GENERAL

The power to audit Claims against the Government was variously distributed during the supremacy of the Dutch and the English; but after the Colonists took possession, the Provincial Convention, in 1776, gave that power to the Auditor-General. There were but two incumbents of the Office down to 1797, when the Comptroller succeeded to the powers and duties of the Auditor-General. The Comptroller also, in a legal sense, inherited all the valuable papers of the Auditor-General relating to the Revolutionary War. Those papers are of value not only for their historical interest, but also because they form the beginning of the Accounts in the Comptroller's Office. In a word, they open the books of the chief financial Officer of the State.

Comfort Sands was appointed Auditor-General by the Fourth Provincial Congress, or Convention, July 24, 1776; and he held the Office till Apr. 8, 1782. His salary was £300. a year. Among his duties was that of certifying to the correctness of the Treasurer's Accounts:—

I Comfort Sands Auditor General of the State of New York do hereby certify that I have examined the Account of the payments made by Gerard Bancker Treasurer of the Said State. from the 1st day of April to the 31st day of December 1778 inclusive and compared it with the several Vouchers refered to therein, Amounting to Sixty thousand three hundred and Sixty three pounds three Shillings and five pence half penny and find it right, which Account and the Vouchers numbered from No. 1862 to No. 2090 inclusive are now delivered to me.

Witness my Hand at Poughkeepsie this 1st Day of January 1779

£ 60363..3..5 1/2. Comfort Sands Auditor Gen[l].

Comfort Sands was succeeded, as Auditor-General, by Peter Theobald Curtenius, Apr. 8, 1782; and he held the Office until Samuel Jones, the first Comptroller, was appointed, Mar. 15, 1797. Mr. Curtenius had already served as Commissary. (See the Chapters on "Military Stores" "Provisions" and "Clothing".) The documents show that Mr Curtenius was paid a salary of £250, in 1782 and 1783; and £350, in 1785. The name of William Denning appears as Assistant Auditor-General.

The duties of Mr. Curtenius were far more laborious than those of Mr. Sands. The War was nearly at an end, but the Claims were more numerous and more complicated. Beside this, the Currency was in a state of confusion that was almost hopeless. With the ending of the War, came the Claims of New York against the United States, all of which it became the duty of the Auditor-General to settle; or, at least, to advise the several Commissioners what should be done. This required a large amount of patient investigation. In all of this work, Mr Curtenius proved that he was one of the most remarkable financiers of his time. He was, probably, second to no one in this State, aside from Alexander Hamilton; and the reputation of the latter was rather national than local.

During all of his vexatious work, and in spite of the many false Claims that came before him, Mr. Curtenius never lost his temper. Once, only, do the documents show that he almost forgot himself:—

Sir:—

The Inclosed Papers were at your house yesterday to be delivered in, but your office was shut and no one to be found. They belong to Claims already delivered in, and left with me to forward to you Jas Abeel —

Mr P. T. Curtenius —

[Indorsed as follows]

Recd Jany 1, 1791. I was at home, or some one to Represent me, the whole day of the 31st Decr 1790, so that what James Abeel asserts in the within Letter is [" Lye," erased] not true —
P. T. Curtenius

Mr. Curtenius had an accurate Knowledge of every one who was indebted to the State. The indebtedness was, in most cases, only temporary; and the classing of an individual thus was not a badge of dishonor. The accounts of the Auditor-General do not group the debtors.

Unfortunately, neither the Auditor-General nor the Treasurer left papers (at least, they are not among the documents of this Office relating to the War) giving a concise account of the Moneys actually received and expended. Therefore, the only way in which a summary of their total transactions can be had, and that imperfectly, is by bringing their numerous papers together.

Claims against the State

The work of the Auditor-General, like that of the Treasurer, was seen in every Department that helped to carry on the War. A few of the miscellaneous Claims will give an idea of what the Auditor-General was obliged to consider and pass upon:—

Albany — 18th March — personally appeared before me, Ebenezer Kelsey, the person in the Precedent Sertivicate and made oath that he never received an Pay from the Bretches (British) or any of the States from the Day he was Taken Presener until the day he returned.

Sworning before me the Day above mentioned. John Price Justice.

1781 Squire Fanshar to William Adams —

March — To Dressing his Wounds And Attendance for four weeks ..... £ 8. 0. 0

Augt. 31 William Adams

1785 Sworn before me — Abraham P. Lott, Aldm.

Audited 23, Septr 1785

1782 State of New York To Charles R. Webster Printer in the City Of Albany

Aug. 19th. To inserting in the New York Gazetteer printed in the City of Albany Two Acts of the Legislature. the one entitled an Act for pardoning offences committed in the northeastern parts of this State passed the 14 April 1782 The other An Act for quieting the minds of the Inhabitants in the Northeastern parts of the State passed ye 14 April 1782 makg. 18 Squares in sd paper @ 8/ p. Square 7. 4. 0

1783

March 31 To inserting in the New York Gazetteer an Act of the Legislature entitled an Act to amend an Act entitled an Act to lay a Duty of excise on Strong Liquors to appropriate the Monies arising therefrom, and for the better regulating of Inns and Taverns within this State passed ye 14 March 1781 making Seven Squares @ 8/ Pr. Square 2.16. 0

1783 April	14th	To inserting in ye New York Gazetteer an Act entitled an Act to repeal An Act entitled an Act to revive the Laws appointing Commissioners for detecting and defeating Conspiracies and to give certain powers to Magistrates & Courts therein mentioned passed the 27th March 1783 making in the said Paper 4 1/2 Squares @ 8/ p Square	£ 1.16.
1781 Decr.	1st.	To inserting the Governor's proclamation for convening the Legislature making two Squares 5 weeks ———— pr. Square..	1. 6. 8
			£ 13. 2. 8

Albany Aug. 19 1786 Errors & Emissions Excepted.

C. R. Webster

Claims for Damages by the Enemy

No Claims against the State are more pathetic than those for Damages by the Raids of the Enemy. Some of the comments were as follows:—"The Robbers has taken out of my House"; "His wife after being taken prisoner and a child of 18 mos murthered"; "To one son Kild"; "Two brothers murthered and his father taken"; "by the wanton destruction of the Enemy"; "Widow of ———— who was Killed by the Enemy and all his effects burned"; "by the Enemys to America"; "Killet and Daken of this Fammely My Father and Mother My Brothers wife with 8 Children and one sarvan maith one Brother Daken Brasenor [Prisoner] lost"; "by the Enemy, the Indians & worse as they, the British and Torrys"; "His father killed by the Enemy"; "I loose more than Double the sum above, besides my son of Seventeen years of age who was killed same time"

A bill of Dammage of Isaac Davis May 22nd yr. 1780.

Bildings housses barens and barks valued att.....	£250 0 0
Wheren Close of all my famaly valued att.....	34 14 0
Waggon an plow gers all Complete valued att.....	20 0 0
three beds garnished wed all valued att.....	20 10 0
horsses and Ship and hids valued att.....	20 0 0
Chist and Sugger and money valued att.....	12 0 0
Houssel furnish all valued att.....	19 3 0
fences gren and apeltrees valued att.....	15 0 0
horn Cuttels to they valued att.....	12 10 0
Arms and Cutterments Sords and pistils.....	7 16 0
Hoksseds pots an Cattels att.....	7 18 0
taner and Currermen tolls att.....	4 0 0
Sleys and gers wed all att.....	7 10 0
Sadals bridles Sets and Sids att.....	6 10 0
Carpentters tuls wed all Complete att.....	6 10 0
Sumekers tuls and lader att.....	4 10 0
Bags and flowers att.....	3 0 0
	465 11 0

12 Feby.

Isaac Davis.

The Claims are more accurately localized than is the case with any other class of Claims. In Albany County the sufferers lived in the Districts of East Rensselaerwyck, Hoosack, Saratoga, Schenectady and Schoharie — the latter District having been raided in 1778, 1780 and 1781. The great majority of the Claims from this County, however, arose from the Invasion of Gen. Burgoyne, in 1777. Some of them began in May, when he was at Ticonderoga; others follow on his track Southward to his defeat at Saratoga; and still others refer to Damages by his Troops "on their way to Boston".

An Estimation of Damages Dun by The Enemy at the time When General Borguyn Was Douon with his army in this quarter in year 1777.

To Cornelius Van Veghten at Saratoga.

His Dwelling house Computed	£ 250 0 0
A Large new baron with Egetant Bildings of 3 Berrags and Sheep pan and Corn houses	250 0 0
1 Stoor hous	140
1 Greise mill	320 0 0
1 Dwelling hous of my miller	90 0 0
The army Laing at this place not apennal of fence left on this farm which I Supose I cannot have Egin for	160 0 0
one wind mill	7 0 0
5 Eyron Shad Slays	28 0 0
3 plows	14 0 0
2 Harres	8 0 0
6 Horn Cattle	24 0 0
7 Hors lind	70 0 0
45 Hogs lind	40 0 0

a quantety of Grean Left in the Stoorhouse and in the mill which I cannot account for.

31 Jany. Cornelius Van Veghten.

In Charlotte County, as in Albany, most of the Claims followed in the wake of Burgoyne's Expedition, including some relating to the retreat at Fort Edward, in July, 1777. There are others in connection with Major Charlton's Party, Oct. 10, 1780. The Districts of the County that suffered the most were:— Fort Edward, Kingsbury, Lake Champlain and White Creek; and some of Claims give additional light to the history of the settlements along Lake Champlain. The story of William Gilliland's life was particularly sad.

ESTIMATE of Loss sustained by William Gilliland and his Tenants formerly of Lake Champlain, in the State of New York, since the commencement of the present War, suposed by the Depredations of the Enemy. Vizt.

		Specie
15 Head of Horned Cattle left behind on his plantations and at Hospital Point, ... Value	£ 119	8
5 Horses and Mares "do" and at Crown Point when that Garrison was evacuated	60	
11 or 12 Swine besides pigs	26	
Bulky Furniture and farming Utensils left behind, Looms etc	150	
A large Quantity of Manufactured and some new Iron and Steel Burried, but supposed to be found by the Enemy, some of those Who assisted in Burying them having gone to the Enemy	100	
3 New Pot-Ash Kettles left behind	60	
Grist Saw Mills Burned, he is informed by the Enemy	250	

	Specie		
4 Different Farm Houses of my own "Ditto"	£ 200		
24 Dwelling Houses of my Tenants who were greatly in my Debt together with Barns and other out-houses and some fences said to be destroyed by the Enemy	1200		
Effects left at Ticonderoga and said to be taken or destroyed by the Enemy	44	8	
Several Acres of Flax left behind to be used or destroyed by the Enemy, if not rotted	10		
An Original Map of Lake Champlain, laid down from an actual Survey, finely embellished, with several private surveys thereon of my own making, said to be lost by Genl. Arnold when he was defeated by the Enemy on the Lake, Cost more than	30		
Computed Value of a Crop sold Udney Hay for the use of one Army which he refuses to pay for, because used or destroyed by the Enemy, as he aledges	656	15	
Property sent for me from Montreal to St. John's to be forwarded to me in 1775 by Mr. Dan'l. Turner, and and which I have been informed fell into the Enemies hands at that post	29	4	10
Oak Timber and Hay Cutt on my Lands by the Enemy, or those within their Lines, some possesion to a large amount as I am informed and may be in Value	1000		
	£3943	15	10

State of New York Ss. William Gilliland late of Lake Champlain but at present of the City and County of Albany Merchant being duly Sworn Deposith and saith, that the within Account in the manner and form in which it is charged Contains the Articles of real and personal property, which he verily believes was taken burnt used or destroyed by the Enemy — And that the prices stated opposite the respective Articles, are reasonable according to the best of his knowledge and belief. William Gilliland

Sworn before me this 25th., day of February 1782.

Robert Yates.

Dutchess County seemed to escape with but a few Claims for Damages, except "When the Enemy surprized our Guard at Ward's House". Westchester County sent in several Claims due to the burning of houses when the British Army occupied Peekskill, in March, 1777. The latter Claims were accompanied by the statements of Appraisers appointed to value the buildings. Orange County sent in no Claims that appear among the documents.

The County of Tryon was the worst sufferer. Bills for Damages were sent from the following localities:—Andreastown, Beaver Dam, Butlers borough, Canajoharie District, Caughnawaga District, Cherry Valley, Coenradt's Town, Curry's Town, Durlach, German Flats District, Herkimer's Town, Kingsland District, Jerseyfield, Little Falls, Mohawk District, Old England District, Palatine District, Remasniders Bush, Saggenigo, Sand Flats, Springfield, Stone Arabia, Warrensborough, Warren's Bush.

The second Raid of Sir John Johnson, in October, 1780, was the cause of nearly all the claims in Tryon County. Full descriptions will be found in the "Public Papers of George Clinton", in "The Northern Invasion", by Franklin B. Hough, 1866; in "Schoharie County and Border Wars of New York", by J. R. Sims, 1845; and in "The Old New York Frontier", by Francis Whiting Halsey, 1900. Briefly stated, the object of the Raid was to cut off the supplies upon which General Washington depended; and to destroy the resources of all, in the valleys of

the Mohawk and the Schoharie, who were friendly to the American Cause. Johnson's Army, organized in Canada, made a detour to the westward and began by attacking the three Forts on the Schoharie, none of which were taken. The Enemy devastated the Schoharie valley, and continued the work in the Mohawk valley. They defeated Col. John Brown at Fort Paris (Palatine Bridge); but, in the end, they were defeated by Gen. Robert Van Rensselaer, and fled. The documents give the dates when the following places were raided:— Caughnawaga, Oct. 18; Durlach, Stone Arabia and Mohawk District, Oct. 19; Warrensborough, Oct. 25.

The documents also record a Raid, by John Dockstader, July 9, 1781. On Oct. 24, of that year, about 700 British and Indians, under Maj. Ross and Maj. Walter Butler, entered Currytown, among the Mohawk River settlements. They continued on the south bank of the River, burning buildings and taking Prisoners. From Auriesville, they proceed to Fort Hunter, crossed the Schoharie River and went as far as Yankee Hill in the present town of Florida. Thence they turned directly back to Johnstown. The next day, Col. Willett overtook then near Johnson Hall, and the Enemy retreated to the East and West Canada Creeks.

Earlier Raids had been made on Cherry Valley, Nov. 11, 1778; and on Caughnawaga, May 22, 1780; and still other Raids were made in 1782. Several Claims are made for " Damages to the Oneidas and Tuscaroras, the Allies of the Confederated States ". Herkimer's Town and the German Flats were raided at the time of the Battle of Oriskany, Aug. 6, 1777. The latter was also raided in Sept., 1778.

A List of the Real and Personal Effects of Frederick Fisher Wantonly taken and destroyrd by the Enemy in the Year 1780.

A Dwelling House—Burnt	£ 100	0	0
2 Beds and Bedding	20	16	
Mens and Womens Ware	23	4	
A Tea Kittle	4		
A Brass Kittle	0	9	
Plates	19	19	
Earthen Ware	1	11	
2 Brass Ladles	0	9	
A Silver Mounted Sword	7		
2 Guns	2	10	
Holstors and Pistols	2	16	
A Saddle Bridle and Saddle Bags	3	4	
A pair Boots	1	12	
2 Negroes and a wench — carryed off	240		
A Barn and 2 Barracks Burnt	35		
12 Load Hay do	15		
50 Scipples Indian Corn do 3/	7	10	
2 Horses—carryed off	30		
A Set Horse Harness	22	10	
	£ 494	7	0

State of New York Ss. Frederick Fisher being duly sworn deposith and saith that the above Account contains the Articles belonging to him which were burnt or destroyed or carryed off by the Enemy and that the prices affixed opposite to the same are reasonable.

Sworn before me this day of Jany. 1782. Fredk. Fisher [Col.]

Robt. Yates.

State of New York Tryon County. An Account of the Damages which Samuel Campbell of Cherry Valley have Sustained by the Enemy on the Eleventh of November 1778.

	£	S	D
To one Dwelling house burnt	150		
To Two barns burnt	150		
To two horses taken away	30		
To two mears and one Coalt do	20		
To one Cow taken away	5		
To one beef burnt	5		
To four fat hogs killed	12		
To one Negro boy carried off	50		
To one Waggon burnt	7		
To one Slay and Harness burnt	6		
To thirty Loads of hay do	30		
To wheat and peas and oats burnt in the Straw	50		
To Corn and Potatoes and flax burnt	10		
To one watch taken away	6		
To two Sadls and bridles carryed off	5	10	
To Cloathing and house all furniture burt or carryed off	200		
To Cash taken away	60		
	£ 795	10	0

Jany. 25, 1782.

Saml. Campbell [Col.]

The Claims in Ulster County were, in most cases, for Damages when Kingston was burned by Gen. John Vaughan, Oct. 16, 1777:—

Memorandum of goods burnt by the Enemy in Kingston Eusopes.

	£	S	D
One FetherBed Holld. Tick 1 Boulster, 1 Pillow, 1 Coverlin to the Bed,	£ 14	0	0
1 Bedsted 20/ One green Rug 55/	3	15	0
2 larg Rose Blanckets	1	8	
1 Larg lookinglass	6	0	
2 Chaina Teapots	0	16	
Eight Burnt Chaina Chocolate Cups	0	10	
1/2 Doz. Tea Cups and saucers	0	14	
Four do plates	0	2	
2 larg Cream Couler sauce Cups	0	4	
1/2 Doz. Blew Chaina plates	0	6	
1/2 Doz. Cream Colour do	0	2	6
One Dining Table Black Cherry wood	1	4	
One do Teable larg	1		
One larg Copper Kittle	3	13	9
One do Brass	1	12	
Six Flat back Chairs	1	16	
One holland Cubberd Neatly Adorned with wax Work	10		
One Barrel Soap	1	12	
Three Wine Canters	0	6	
Four do Glasses	0	6	
One Chest wt Cloathing and linnen	1	10	
One do wt Sundry books as 1 larg Dutch Bible	3		
One larg Knibbe one Sermon book some of the others Divinity & some History	1	12	
One New Spining Weale	1	12	
Twelve Pictures wt Glass over, forgot the price alow		18	
One larg Knot Bowl Cost	1	4	

Two larg Knot Bowls Cost 32/ one do 8/	£ 2		
Two Beds wt Straw or Straw Beds	2	10	
Two fine workt Baskets	0	16	
One Tapend Water Crane	0	6	
£	54	17	3

Corns. Van Santvoordt.

After some of the worst efforts of the Enemy had been made, the Legislature, Nov. 22, 1781, passed this Concurrent Resolution:—

Resolved that the honorable the Chief Justice and puisne justic of the Supreme Court of Judicature of this State for the time being, be, and they are hereby respectively authorized and requested to collect returns and evidence in the manner described in the letter from the Honorable Robert R. Livingston Esqr of the 12th instant to his Excellency the Governor of this State attendant on his Excellency's Message of this Day of the Damage done by the Enemy within this State, by the wanton destruction of property, and that the Legislature will make provision for defraying the Expense attendant on this Business and for compensating the Chief Justice and puisne justices for their services herein.

Judge Robert Yates acted under this Resolution. He gave two separate Reports to the Legislature; one of them in 1781, and the other without a date. His charge was 2/— pr each deposition.

State of New York to Robert Yates Dr.

To taking a Number of Depositions respecting Losses sustain'd by the Depredation of the Enemy in the Northern Parts of this State Vizt 227 a 2/ £ 22..14..

[This Account was audited and paid in 1790]

The following were Claimants for Damages by the Enemy:—

Albany County

Abeel James	Davis Catherina	Merkel John	Swart Peter
Ball Johannis	Deitz William	Merkle Hendrick	Swart Tuenis
Bauck Johannis	Eckeson Thomas	Meyer Christian	Taylor Jeremiah
Bauck John William	Eckeson Tiunes	Nukel Gerrit C.	Van den bergh Evert
Bauck Thomas	Enters Peter	Nukerk John	Van den bergh John
Bauck William	Enters Jacob	Porks Daniel	Van Slick Marteynis
Beck Martinus	Forster Anna	Rechtmeyer George	Vroman Adam
Becker Abraham	Forster George	Reinhardt George Fr.	Vroman Peter I.
Becker Albertus	Freymier Johannes	Rickart Eva	Vrooman Barent
Becker Harmanus	Graham John	Rickart George	Vrooman Barent, jr.
Becker Isaac	Hills George	Rickert Johannes	Vrooman Johan
Becker Johannes Jos.	Honak Henry	Robinson Charles	Vrooman Peter
Becker John	Kercher Philip	Schaefer Jacob	Vrooman Simon
Becker John Albertus	Kest Richard	Schaffer Martinis	Vrooman Tunis
Becker Peter	Kniskern Johannes	Scheffer Jost	Waite William
Becker Storm	Kniskern William	Schell Jost	Warner George
Becker Storm, jr.	Koeningh Michael	Schelman George	Warner Nicholas
Belknap Abel	Lansing Garret J.	Schneider Peter	Wendell Abraham
Bellinger Johannis	Lansing Isaac N.	Shafer Hendrick	Wendell Evert
Bellinger Marcus	Lawyer Jacob	Sidnich William	Werth John Jacob
Bergh Philip	Lawyer Johannis	Sillenick Harmanus	Winne Daniel
Borll Johannis	Lawyer Lorence	Snyder William	Winne John
Borst Baltus	Luke Jacob	Sternberg Abraham	Yates Peter
Borst Hendrick	McCrea John	Sternberger Nicklas	Zielie Martinis
Brown Christian, Capt.	Mann Peter	Sternbergh David	Ziellie Peter, jr.
Cramer Charles	Mattise Johannis	Stubrach Hendrick	Zimmer Jacob

Charlotte County

Baker Albert
Belknap Abel
Bitler John
Bristoll Silas
Durkee James
Durkee Thomas
Gilliland William
Harris Elizabeth
Harris Moses
Moor James
Moor James, jr.
Parks David
Sanders Peter
Sherwood Seth
Vallance David
Watson John
Wilson Samuel
Winne Peter

Dutchess County

Crane Joseph, Dr.

Tryon County

Abeel John
Antus Coenrat
Armstrong Archibald
Badas Michael
Bader Michael
Baldsperger John
Banner Johannis
Barbelat Jacob
Barden Michael
Barth Margaret (Widow)
Baschou John
Batcheller Zephaniah
Baxter Thomas
Bell Dorothy (Widow)
Bellinger John
Bellinger Peter, jr.
Bellinger William
Bennett Amos
Bowman Eva
Boyay Catharine
Boyer John
Brookman Godfried
Campbell James
Campbell John
Campbell Samuel, Col.
Cannan Andrew
Cannon Matthew
Clyde Samuel, Col.
Coppernoll Nicholas
Coppernoll Richard
Crissman Gottfried
Cristman Frederick
Cristman Jacob
Cristman Nicholas, sr.
Cromwell Jacobus
Dachsteder John Nicholas
Davis Jacob
Davis James, jr.
Davis Patrick
Davis Thomas
Deline William
Dellinbagh John
Dickson James
Diefendorff Jacob, jr.
Dietz Jacobus
Dietz John
Dietz William
Dockstader Frederick
Dorrs Matthias
Doxstadder George
Durmot Michael
Earnest Christian
Ecker George
Ecker Jacob
Eliot Andrew
Ellwood Peter
Finck Andrew
Fisher Frederick, Col.
Folmer Thomas
Foltz Peter
Fonda Adam
Fonda Jelles
Fonda John
Foror Rudolph
Fox Frederick
Fox George
Fox John
Frank Albart
Frank Frederick
Frank Johannis
Frank John
Frank Lawrence
Frank Timothy
Frantz Sebastian
Gardener Samuel
Gardenier Jacob
Gettman Frederick
Gibson William
Gordon Robert
Grim Henry
Guile John
Haag Frederick
Hall William
Hansen Hendrick
Hansen Nicholas
Hansen Peter
Harnes John
Haywisen Martin
Herder Lawrence
Harter Henry
Hess Augustinis, jr.
Hess Augustinus, sr
Hess Frederick
Hess Johannes
Hess John
Hessler John
Hews Catharine
Hews James
Heyser John
Hoff Richard
House Joseph
Hunt Timothy
Hyer Peter
Iseman John
Ittig Christian
Keller Henry
Keller Johannes
Keltz Conrath
Kennedy James
Kennedy Robert
Kentor John
Kesler John, jr.
Kessler John
Kinkead Crownidge
Klumph Thomas
Kortright Henry
Lambet Peter
Lampfor Peter
Lewis Adam
Lewis David
Lewis Frederick
Lewis Hendrick
Lively Simon
Loucks Henry
Loup William
Lythaal Niclas
Mabie Harmanus
McCollom Daniel
McDermid Michael
McGraw Daniel
McKillip John
McKillup Archibald
McKown James
Marlatt Mark
Marr James
Miller Henry
Miller Valentine
Mitchell Hugh
Moor James
Moore Jacob
Moore John
Notman Jacob
Nukerk George C.
Nukle John
Ohrendorff George
Ohrendorff Peter
Ohrendorph Frederick
Ohrendorph Frederic, jr.
Ohrendorph John
Oneidas & Tuscaroras
Oothout Abraham
Osterhout John
Park John
Petri Johannes M.
Petri Mars
Petry John Marks
Petry William
Philipse Volkert
Phillips William
Pifer Peter
Potman David
Potman David, jr.
Potman Frederick
Quackenboss Abraham, jr.
Quackenboss Peter J.
Quackenbush Myndert W.
Raspoll Martes
Relley John
Remsnyder Hendrick
Rickey James
Rung Hendrick
Ryckart Lodowick
Sammons Samson
Schell Johannes
Schimmell Francis
Schmit Johannes
Schoemaker John
Schoemaker Thomas
Seroos Christian
Shaddack Thomas
Shallop Frederick
Shell John, sr.
Shew Godfrey
Shoemaker Frederick
Shultys Christopher
Slouwits (Widow)
Small Susanna (Widow)
Smith John
Snock William
Spornheyer William
Staring Adam
Starring Nicholas
Steen Conrad
Stine William
Throop George
Tillebagh John
Toror Rudolph
Van Alstine Gilbert
Van Brackelen Gysbert
Van Brackelen Nicholas

Van den berg Wynant
Van der merk John
Van der Wycke John
Van Eps Charles
Van Eps John E.
Veeder Abraham
Veeder Johannis
Veeder Volkert
Vrooman Henry
Warts Matise
Wasel George
Weatherstraw Henry
Weaver Nicholas
Wempel Barent
Wempel Margareta
Wemple John B.
Wever Jacob
Wicks Samuel
Willson Andrew
Willson James
Willson Samuel
Wimer Andrew
Winkel John
Wohleben Abraham
Wolleben Peter
Woolhaver Jacob
Young Adam
Zieleis John

Ulster County

Beekman Cornelius
Bogardus Nicholas
Cox David
De Lametter David
De Witt Jacob R., Capt.
Doyl Charles
Dumon Peter
Dumond Egbert
Elmendorph Abraham
Elmendorph Arent
Elmendorph Conradt C.
Elmendorph Cornelius
Elmendorph Jacobus & Cornelius
Eltinge William
Freer Abraham
Freer Samuel
Groen Jacob Marinus
Hasbrouck Abraham
Hasbrouck Elias
Hodlor Peter
Hoffman Anthony
Houghtaling Teunes
Houghtaling Wilhelmus
Low Jacobus
McDowell James
McLean John
Masten Benjamin
Persen Adam
Persen Johannis
Persen Matthew & Alida
Roggen Franz & Peter
Sleght Johannis
Sleght Teunis
Smart Petrus
Snyder Johannis
Swart Adam
Tappen Christopher
Ten Brook Jacob
Tremper Jacob
Van Gaasbeck Abraham
Van Santvoordt Cornelius
Wittaker John
Wynkoop Dirck

Westchester County

Hunt Phinehas

The following Claims for Damages cannot be identified, as to location. It is probable that most of them were caused by Johnson's Raids in the valley of the Mohawk.

Bancker Evert
Banda Milchior
Carner Charles
Cunningham William
Davis Elizabeth
Davis Isaac
Docksteder John
Doty Isaac
Fisher Catharine
Hansen Barant
Hen Marka
Hesler Conradt
Ittig Michael
Kelly John
Kock Jurgen
Kock Soferines
Lansing Abraham
Lansing Gerret A.
Lansing Isaac H.
Lewis Peter
Mabee Petrus
McDavitt Charles
Marks (Mr.)
Newkirk Abraham
Patingill William
Potman Cornelius
Poyar John
Rechtmeyer George Christian
Scott James
Snell Adam
Steens John
Sternberger Abraham
Tisese John
Van Alstine Jacob
Van den bergh Cornelius
Van Everah Cornelius
Van Everah John
Van Schaick Jacob
Van Valkenburgh Abraham
Van Valkenburgh Jacob
Van Veghten Cornelius
Vroman Bartholomew
Vroman Jonas
Vrooman Peter C.
Weaver George
Weaver Johan George

Claims of the State against the United States

His Accounts with the United States show Mr. Curtenius' most accurate, and pains-taking work. The conduct of that work brought Mr. Curtenius into close relations with Robert Morris, the Financier; Robert Troup and Oliver Wolcott, Secretaries of the United States Treasury; Michael Hillegas, Treasurer of the United States; John Pierce, of the United States Treasury Department; Joseph Nourse, Register of the United States; Alexander Hamilton, Receiver of Continental Taxes; Patrick Ferrall, Commissioner of United States Accounts; Benjamin Mifflin, Clerk of the Office of United States Accounts; Joseph Howell, jr., Commissioner of United States Army Accounts; William Barber, Continental Commissioner; and Daniel Tillinghast, Continental Agent. Many of the documents bear the names, and often the signatures, of these prominent men.

A law of the United States, dated May 7, 1787, repealed the law of Oct. 13, 1786, establishing a Board to Liquidate and Settle all Accounts between the United States and Individual States. It provided for the appointment of five Commissioners to go to the five Districts to state the Account of each District, respectively, with the United States. The five Districts were: the States of New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Connecticut and Rhode Island; the States of New York and New Jersey; the States of Pennsylvania, Delaware and Maryland; the States of Virginia and North Carolina; the States of South Carolina and Georgia. The several States were limited to six months after the Commissioner had notified the Governor of each that he was ready to proceed; after which time all Claims were shut off. On June 24, 1788, a law was passed extending the time three months, that is to Oct. 1, 1788.

When the Government of the United States notified the several States of the passage of the law, noted above, this Statement was given out:—

Amount of Cash charg'd by Congress to Each Particular State vizt —

		Dollars	90th	8th
New Hampshire	reduced to Specie	440.710	75	2
Massachusetts	do	1.248.765	28	
Rhode Island	do	1.028.511	33	6
Conneticut	do	956.407	14	1
New York	do	811.728	41	
New Jersey	do	331.869	56	2
Pennsylvania	do	2.075.606	48	4
Delaware	do	63.817	5	
Maryland	do	609.433	10	6
Virginia	do	363.931	82	3
North Carolina	do	787.200	30	3
South Carolina	do	971.789	40	2
Georgia	do	678.964	68	3
	Total	10.368.785	84	

CIRCULAR LETTER OF INSTRUCTIONS TO THE COMMISSIONERS FOR SETTLING CLAIMS OF THE SEVERAL STATES AGAINST THE UNITED STATES.

Office of Finance 7th Septem^r. 1782.

Sir, The Comptroller of the Treasury having given you his Instructions as to the Form of setling Accounts, there are two particulars to which I will call your Attention. It has constantly been kept in view by Congress that Interest should be allow'd to the States for any disproportion of Advances & this Idea is still pursued in the Ordinance under which you act.

You must therefore on every Advance made by the State after fixing the value precisely allow an Interest at Six pr Cent until the First day of this year & charge a like Interest on Advances to them. In settling the Accounts with Individuals, you will consider that artful Men have frequently taken advantage of the Public & that in many Instances public Officers have frequently taken advantages of the weak & unprotected — You will therefore always remember that it is your Duty to do Justice in the Prosecution of this Duty — You will take care also, to discover & bring to Light, pursue and punish Fraud & Peculation of every kind, whereever you may meet with them.

I wish you Success & am Sir

Commissioners for settling Accounts with the States

Your most Obed^t. Servt.

Robt. Morris

These queries having been proposed by Lewis Pintard, Esqr. Commissioner for liquidating the Accounts in the State of New Jersey & Danl. Desaussure Esqr. Commiss^{r}. in the State Maryland, have been considered & the following Answers annex'd to them Viz:

In settling the Accounts between a State & the United States it will be necessary that the Commissioner be previously inform'd on the following heads Viz:

Query 1st. Is the whole, or any part of the Expence to be allow'd for Fortifications for the defence of the State, or any particular place within such State?

2nd. Is the whole or any part of the Expence for the Militia to be allow'd, either when invaded, or in danger of any Invasion by the common Enemy, or for suppressing Rebellion against the State, or when employ'd against the Indians?

3rd. In what proportions are the States to be allów'd for cloathing the Continental Troops raised by each State?

4th. Are all Camp & Military Stores of every denomination to be charged to the United States whether made use of by the Regulars or Militia? In this department it is presum'd there will be great quantities of Arms & Ammunition expended by the Militia which cannot be accounted for.

5th. Are Individual States to be allow'd the disbursements for Gallies or other armed vessels not ordered by Congress?

6th. Are they to be allow'd for Obstructions sunk or intended to be sunk in order to prevent the Enemies Vessels going up to the Cities of the United States?

Answer to No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6 In all these matters the Commiss^{r}. will be regulated by the resolution of Congress, according to the true Intent & meaning. When charges are authorized by the existing Resolves, they must be passed: & when they ought not to be admitted, they must be rejected. In doubtful cases Application must be made to the Superintendant of Finance, who will state a general Question to Congress & receive the answer without communicating the name of the State.

Query 7th. Are all disbursements for presents to Indians to be admitted as a Charge against the Union?

Answer to No. 7 No Charge for Presents to, or Treaties with Indians will be admitted unless authorized by Congress.

Query 8th. If a State hath settled & paid Accounts which shall be admitted to be a charge against the Union & it appears to the Commissioner that a considerable overcharge was made in any part thereof; shall he deduct so much as he shall judge to be an overcharge?

Answer to No. 8 All such Accounts with their Vouchers must be examin'd & all improper as well as overcharges deducted & the Commiss^{r}. must endeavour by every means to detect all Frauds & discover all Errors.

Query 9th. Is it not the intention of Congress that the Acco^{ts}. Current between the United States & each State be closed the 31st December in every year since the commencement of the War, & to which end, the Accounts for each Department are to be liquidated accordingly?

Answer to No. 9 The Instructions of the Superintendant of Finance on this subject of the 7th September 1782 contain an answer.

Query 10th. Shall the Charges made for Expresses to or from Congress or within the State be admitted in the Account?

Answer to No. 10 This will depend on particular circumstances, of which the Commissioner will judge.

Query 11th. Shall the State be allow'd the Charges for maintenance of Prisoners of War?

Answer to No. 11 Charges for maintenance &c. of Prisoners of War must be supported by such Sufficient Vouchers as will authorize a Charge against the Enemy; if not, they must be rejected.

Query 12th. Shall payments made to Continental Officers, either for recruiting or other services be allow'd, or even where it does not appear, for what services he received the same?

Answer to No. 12 The Commissioner will be directed by the Resolution of Congress whether charges for money advanc'd to Continental Officers for recruiting or other services are to be admitted: but no charges must be allowed without proving the appropriation or actual expenditure of the money for the uses mentioned in the Account.

Query 13th. Whether Certificates given to Individuals are to be taken as they stand & new ones given for their amount, or whether they are to be re-examin'd & new prices affixed to the Articles when they have been over or undercharg'd.

Answer to No. 13 Certificates given by Qr. Masters or Commissarys to Individuals must be re-examin'd, the Articles shewn & their Value determin'd that the receiver of them may be charg'd & made accountable to the Commissioners appointed for the respective departments. See Resolve of Congress of 23d August 1780 which must be strictly attended to.

Query 14th. What mode is to be pursued to affix the prices of Articles furnished & services performed in each State, if they are not pointed out in the Instructions whether it would not be proper for the Commiss^r^. to be directed to apply to the Chief Justice & other Judges of the different Counties, to fix the same, as it would be improper for him to take upon himself a matter of so great consequence?

Answer to No. 14 The Commiss^rs^. are appointed & impowered to make final settlements according to Equity & good Conscience, without applying to other Judges, unless it be for necessary information.

Query 15th Are the different Commiss^rs^. to correspond with each other, in order to give such information as may be useful in the respective departments; if they are, should not all letters to & from them respecting the business of their office be free of postage?

Answer to No. 15 The Commissioners must correspond with one another when necessary & keep an Account of Postage — no Franks can be allowed.

Query 16th. By what Scale of Depreciation are Accounts to be settled after the 18th March 1780 being the time the Continental Table of Depreciation ended?

Answer to No. 16 It is expected there will be few or no accounts with the States after this Period, but if there are, they must be valued by the Scale of the Individual State, unless Congress shall otherwise direct, in which case the Commissioner will be furnished with their Act — With Individuals no other Scale is necessary than Equity & good Conscience.

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE AUDITOR OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

Sir, Congress having determined to send a Commissioner into this State to adjust and settle the Accounts between the United States and this State, it is because indispensibly necessary so to arrange the Materials for this Adjustment as that the Account Current may be stated with Despatch Accuracy and Perspicuity.

The United States are to be debited with all expenditures made for their Use by the late Congress of this State, by the Convention thereof, by the different Committees, by the Treasurer, the State Agent, the Auditors for liquidating the Accounts of the Army, the Commissioner to be appointed by the Act to raise the sum of £16,000 and the further sum of £16,000 by tax within this State and for selling public Accounts, or by any other Officer of this State, and for that purpose you shall require from them Transcripts of all Accounts heretofore audited and for which Payments hath not yet been made by the Treasurer, and you shall call on the Treasurer for an Account of all Monies paid by him and which are chargeable to the United States — the Accounts of these Expenditures you will collect and digest in such Manner as that the Advances made in each Year shall stand separate, the

Amount of all Advances to the second of September 1777 you are to consider as having been paid in Money equivalent to Specie — from thence forward you are to charge the specific Value of the different Articles in Specie in such Manner as Abraham Yates Philip Schuyler and John Lansing Junior or any two of them shall direct except for the Pay of the Troops or Militia which is to be charged in the nominal Sum paid and considered as Specie.

You will carefully insert the Dates when Payments were made and when you have collected all the Accounts of this State against the United States you will then open Accounts captioned as follows. The United States for Wheat or Flour etc., (as the Case may be) Debtor — and under the Account of Wheat you are to enter all Charges for Wheat which you may have made in the Accounts above mentioned, in order that it may be seen at one view how much Wheat has been furnished, the Time when and at what Price — In like Manner you are to charge every other Article furnished by this State or any Services performed for which the State has made Payment, and as a variety of Articles may have been furnished which cannot come under one general Head, you will open an Account in which to charge such Articles.

You are not by any means to adjust the Accounts of this State with any person appointed or to be appointed by the United States until you have laid the Accounts as arranged by you before the said Abraham Yates Philip Schuyler and John Lansing Junr. Esquires and shall have taken their direction or the Direction of the Major part of them, to those Gentlemen you will also apply when any Difficulties arise in the Execution of this important Business and their Determination you are to consider as binding on you.

Property to a vast Amount has been purchased or taken from the Citizens of this State by compulsory or Impress Laws or by illegal Impresses for which the People have, if paid at all, been paid in a depreciated Money and at a Rate much below the Par in other States and it is the intention of the Legislature that the Difference of Depreciation in this State and other States should be charged to the United States, and in order to enable you to determine with any tolerable Degree of Precision what has been so furnished as aforesaid, it will be necessary that you should call on Jacob Cuyler Esquire late Deputy Commissary of Purchases for an Account of all Supplies purchased or taken, specifying the Date of the Purchase the Time when paid, the Articles purchased or Services performed, distinguishing what has been paid, for and what not,— like Application you will make to Morgan Lewis Esquire to Hugh Hugh Esquire, to Udney Hay Esquire late Deputy Qr. Masters General, to Mr. Nicholas Quackenbush Ass. D. Q. Master General, to Mr. Andrew Bostwick Forage Master General, to the Commissioners for auditing Accounts in the Northern Department and to every other public Officer employed in purchasing and at the Head of any Departments within this State, these Accounts must be digested by you in like Manner as before directed with the other Accounts of this State so that the aggregate amount of each particular Article may be determined at one View.

You shall by Advertisement in the public Papers require the Commissioners of Sequestration and every other public Office appointed by the Congress of this State, by the Convention thereof or by any Committee to come and settle Accounts with you without Delay and shall also require all Persons having Claims on this State to prefer their Accounts that you may audit them, and you shall keep Copies of every Account by you audited, in order that you may charge the United States with every Article furnished by the Accountants and which may with Propriety be charged to the United States.

The Cannon and Military Stores taken by order of the Congress or Convention of this State from the Officers of the King of Great Britain and which may have been delivered to any Officer of the United States you are to charge to the United States.

You will procure all the Journals of Congress as well those already published as those which may hereafter be published and make a Schedule of all such as relate to Requisitions on this State, noting their Substance in such Schedule that the Gentlemen appointed to give you additional Instructions may take them into Consideration and determine the Use to be made of them in a final Settlement with the United States.

If a Commissioner from Congress comes into this State to adjust Accounts and settle with the State and Citizens thereof, you shall require from such Commissioners a Copy of his Instructions so far as they relate to the Principles on which he is to make such Settlement, Copies of which you shall transmit the Gentlemen appointed to give you additional Instructions.

Poughkeepsie 13th: April 1782.

By Order of the Senate.
Pierre Van Cortlandt Presdt.

By Order of the Assembly
Evert Bancker Speaker.

QUERIES OF PETER T. CURTENIUS, AUDITOR GENERAL, AND ANSWERS BY PHILIP SCHUYLER, COMMISSIONER (THE OTHER COMMISSIONERS BEING JOHN LANSING, JR. AND ABRAHAM YATES), MARCH 11, 1784.

May 15th 1775, Vol. 1, Page 102. Congress Resolve that the Warlike Stores be remov'd from New York — Query Whether this Resolve will authorise the State of New York to charge the Expence of removing the Cannon &c out of Town, because Congress do not say they will be at the expence of such removal. Yes

June 22d Page 126. It is resolved to employ the Green Mountain boys, for the defence of America. The State of New York furnished them with cloathing — Query Whether the United States are to be charg'd with the Cloathing they were furnish'd with? Yes

October 22d. It is resolved by Congress that New York shall raise an Artillery Company, without saying that the Continent would be at the expence — Query, Whether the expence of raising & paying this Company can with propriety be charg'd to the Continent Yes

Novem^r 4th. Congress recommend to the different Colonies to keep their Gun Smiths at Work to manufacture good Fire Locks & that the prices are to be fixt by the different Assemblies &c. This seems to imply as if the Arms were to be furnished at the expence of the Continent & yet in several subsequent resolves it appears that Stoppages were to be made out of the Soldiers wages for the Payment of the Arms — See Resolves Decr. 5th & 21st Page 280 & 300. Jany 19th, 1776. Vol 2d Page 30 Feby 17th Page 66. & in June 25, 1776 Page 230 it is resolv'd that Col Dubois shall raise a Regiment & that the Arms the Men furnish themselves with are to be valued by the Committees of the Counties & to be paid for by the Continent — this last resolve seems to contradict the Resolves that precede it —

In the years 1775 & 1776 I as Agent for the State of New York purchas'd & deliver'd a considerable number of Arms for the Use of the Continental Troops raised by our State, for which I believe no Stoppages have been made, because I never was called on by the Officers to whom I deliver'd them for the price of the Arms; of course they could not make the stoppages when they were ignorant of the price — My Orders at first from the Convention were to deliver the Arms to the Officers of our Regiments taking their Receipts for the delivery, which I did, but had no Orders to fix the price — Afterwards I receiv'd Orders to deliver all the Arms & warlike Stores to Richard Norwood Colony Store Keeper who deliver'd them out to the Officers of our Regiments & took their Receipts for the delivery in the same manner I did, without fixing the price; besides this, between Five & Six Hundred Musquets were taken out of the City Hall by the Populace belonging to the Corporation which have never been paid for and were afterwards collected by the Officers of McDougall's Regt from the Inhabitants of the City; of course no receipts were given by the Officers who receiv'd them — As the Resolves about the Arms appear to me to contradict each other — Query, Whether the Arms this State has furnish'd must be charg'd to the Continent from the delivery or not; and if the Continent is to pay for them what price must they be charg'd at.

All Arms deliver'd to Troops in the Line of the Army must be charg'd to the United States at £4. if possible —

Jany 5th 1776 Page 12. Vol 2d Congress direct the Delegates of New York to write to the Convention to furnish Genl Schuyler with what Money had been paid by them to Officers or Persons under his Command; If this has been done by the Convention the General will please to certify (when he can have recourse to his Books) what the Sums were & from whom the Stoppages were made

Answer — Jonathan Trumbull was Pay Master in 1775 & 1776. his Books contain an exact Account of all Stoppages made in favour of the State of New York

June 19th 1776 Congress recommended to the Assemblies & Conventions of the United Colonies to purchase Cloathing for the Troops rais'd for that Campaign & that they be baled, Invoiced & stor'd & to be deliver'd to the Order of Congress, or the Commander in Chief, & that the Cost be deducted from the Pay of the Soldiers: This Resolve has never been complied with, by our State, as to Stoppages — The State order'd me to purchase Cloathing & to deliver them to John Henry State Store Keeper & take his receipt for what I deliver'd, but gave me no directions about pricing them — John Henry deliver'd them to the Order of the Governor & took Receipts for the Delivery, but could fix no price to them, as he did not know the Cost, of course the Officers that receiv'd them could make no stoppages when they were ignorant of the price — Query, Whether the State must loose the Cost of them, or the Continent whose Officers neglected to demand an Acco^{t} of the Cost.

The Cloathing must be charg'd to the United States the Auditor must support the charge, in the best manner he can; he must make every enquiry from Commissaries & Officers to obtain information on the subject

October 8th 1776 Page 404 Congress resolve that a Suit of Clothes be annually given as a Bounty to the Soldiers who shall list during the War, amounting to 20 Dollars for the present year — Query, Whether all the Suits that were deliver'd from the 1st Jany 1776 to 1st Jany 1777 are included in this Resolve & Query Whether if the Suit cost the State more than 20 Dollars, whether the United States are to be charg'd with the Overplus?

The Cloathing must be charg'd what it cost the State, with all the Incidental expences attending it

The State of New York furnish'd Cloathing in the year 1775 for Four Regiments of Continental Troops raised in this State for which no Stoppages have been made because the Cloathing were consider'd as Bounty Cloathing; but I see no Resolve of Congress in 1775 that authorises any State in that year to give Cloathing to their Troops as a Bounty. Query, Whether the Cloathing furnish'd in that year, can with propriety be charg'd to the United States as the first Bounty Cloathing was given Octr 8th 1776 — See preceding Resolve

All Cloathing must be charg'd

Octr 9th 1776 Congress order that a Commissary of Cloathing be appointed, to receive & pay for the Cloathing that should be deliver'd to him by the different States — It does not appear by any papers I am possessed of, that any Money has been receiv'd by our State for any Clothing deliv^{d} to Continental Clothiers, before, or after this date

April 29th 1777 Congress recommend to the different States, to transmit to the Paymasters of the Battalion the Amount of Advances made by the different States to their Officers for the Recruiting Service, in order that the Paymasters may call such Officers to Account & Feby 6th 1778 Vol 4 Page 78 It is recommended to the respective States to transmit duplicate Accounts to the Board of Treasury of Advance, made by them to the Regimental Paymasters, or other Officers of the Army; and that each State sustain the Loss which may arise from the detention of their Accounts after the 1st July 1778 — These Resolves I am apprehensive have not been complied with by our State, because the Accounts of Col^{s} Van Schaick Gansevoort, Cortlandt & H. B. Livingston still stand open for considerable Sums advanc'd them in 1776 & 1777 for the recruiting Service — I have wrote them on the subject, some of them have been with me & say that their Accounts have been setled by the Pay Master General, & that Stoppages have been made in favour of the State of New York for the Sums receiv'd by them from the State — I desir'd them to procure Certificates from the Pay Master for that purpose which they have promised to do, but if they should not get them in time, Query, Whether it would not be proper to charge the United States with the Gross Sums advanc'd them, and produce their Receipts for Vouchers —

The United States must most certainly be charg's with all Advances made their Officers It were however to be wished, that they had been informed of those Advances, lest if no credit is given by those Officers; it may not be allowed by the State

Jany 5th 1779 Page 10. By this Resolve & the Resolve therein referr'd to, it will be necessary to make out an Interest Account & if an Interest Account is to be made out, & charg'd daily on every small sum which has been paid out by the State Treasurer on Continental Account, it will take up as much time to make out the Interest Account as the Continental Acco^{t} Query must the Interest be computed on the daily payments, or at the End of each Month?.

This must be adjusted with the Continental Commis^{r}

March 2d 1779 Vol 5. Page 80. Congress resolve that a proper Person be appointed to settle & pay all Accounts for Arrearages of Cloathing due to the Troops of the United States for the year 1777 — That the Clothiers of the different States make exact returns of Cloathing issued for 1777. This Resolve has not been complied with by our State Query Whether our State is to loose all the Cloathing furnisht in that year?

The Cloathing must be charg'd, & the Exigencies of the State must be pleaded for the non compliance

March 9th 1779 Page 94 & 95. It is recommended to each State to fill up their Compliment of Men by Drafts & that a Bounty of 200 Dollars be given to each Draft & that each State shall be credited for 200 Dollars for each Recruit, it shall bring into the Field for three Years, or during the War — Query, Who is the proper Person or Persons from whom I can get the information how many Men were raised on this Resolution?

We dont know, you must procure the best information you can

March 23d 1779 Page 109. This Ordinance for the Cloathing Department, has been partly complied with — I had written Orders from the Legislature to deliver all the Cloathing in Store, to the Sub Clothier and take his receipt for all the delivery which I did, but was inhibited to fix the prices — I was directed by my Orders to make a minute of the prices as they went when they were deliver'd, which was out of my power to do, for there was no scale of Depreciation then publish'd. Great part of the Cloathing I deliver'd to the Sub Clothier were purchas'd by me in April 1778 some of them were Shoes & Stockings raised by Assessments, & a price fix'd much under their real Value & the greater half, say 500 Suits of what was purchas'd in April 1778 were deliver'd December 11th 1779 — I see difficulties in setling the Cloathing Account, There are three ways to settle it, The first is, to average what the Cloathing cost pr Suit in Specie in each Year: The Second is to charge every Suit at the Price Congress fixes a suit at, in each Year: or to get the Average price from the Clothier General what a Suit cost in every Year during the War — I wait your direction which of these Modes I must adopt

That Mode which is most beneficial to the State

April 14th 1779 Congress recommend to the different States to appoint an Agent to supply their Officers with Rum at 5/4 pr Gallon, Sugar at 4/ & Tea at 8/ pr at the Expence of the United States Query, If the Articles cost the State more than the price here limited, whether the State is to loose the difference

The Cost & Charges of those Articles must be charged

April 4th 1780 Vol 6. Page 109. Congress approve the raising 800 Men for the defence of the Frontiers of this State, & that they be entitled to receive Continental Pay and Rations — Query, Whether the State is pay in the first Instance all the Troops that have been rais'd before, and since this Period for the defence of the Frontiers, and charge the Amount to the United States — Col^{s} Weissenfelt & Willet have applied to me to know whether I was authorised to Audit their Abstracts for the Frontier Service — I deferr'd Auditing them until I could obtain your Instructions what to do in this matter.

The Laws of the State, must be your guide.

April 13th 1781 Vol 7. Page 83. Congress recommend to the States to pay the New Levies — Query, Whether the Levies here mentioned, were those that were drafted to fill up the Continental Battalions

Probably

I have called on Col Hay for an Account of the Specific Supplies furnish'd by this State to the United States; his Answer was, that his Books and Papers were unfortunately consumed by Fire, and therefore it was out of his Power to give me any Account, but he inform'd me

that he had made regular returns from time to time to the Legislature & to the Financier of the Quantity deliver'd which Returns he was ready to attest to upon Oath — Query — Whether the Financier or Commissioner can, or will admit Col Hays Oath, as a Proof of Delivery without a particular Resolve of Congress for that purpose

The Auditor must procure the necessary Information from the Financier's Office.

Specie Requisitions

Some of the most important of the Auditor-General's Accounts related to Specie Requisitions. The following Commission may make more clear what the Requisitions were:—

Whereas Alexander Hamilton, Esquire, in conformity with an act of the United States in Congress Assembled, passed the 2d November, 1781, hath been duly appointed by Commission under my hand & Seal Receiver of the Continental Taxes within the State of New York, And Whereas it is doubtful whether a Receiver of Continental Taxes hath yet been recognized by the Legislature of that State, in order to obviate difficulties that might arise on that account, I do hereby especially authorize and empower the Said Alexander Hamilton, Esquire, to make application to and receive from the executive authority of the said State, the Treasury or such other Person or Persons as are or may be appointed and enabled to pay unto the Superintendent of Finances or his order for the use of the United States, the first quarterly payment of the quota of the said State in Eight Millions of dollars Specie required by Congress for the Service of this present year, and upon the Receipt of the whole or any part of the said quarterly payment, which became due to the United States on the first Day of this present Month, in the Sum of Ninety three thousand three hundred and ninety nine and one half dollars Specie, to give his Receipts or Discharges which shall be equally valid against the United States as if given by me.

Given under my hand and Seal of the Treasury at the Office of Finance in the City of Philadelphia this fifteenth day of April, 1782. Robt. Morris —

THE TREASURER

Abraham Lott, appointed in 1767, was the last Treasurer of the Colony under the Crown. It might be inferred that he continued in the Office till May 8, 1777, when the Convention ordered him to turn over his money and books to the State Treasurer, and to give an account of the same. But this was not the fact. There are many documents giving the Accounts of Monies paid out by Peter Van Brugh Livingston, the Treasurer of the Provincial Congress, in 1775 and 1776. His Accounts, running for less than the first year of the war (June 17, 1775, to April 26, 1776) gave total receipts of £161,823.3.9.; of which the Continental Congress contributed one item of £62,000, and another of £18,800. The first cash received was from Col. McDougall, £100 on June 17, 1775. The signers of the New Emission of Paper money paid £45,000 into the Treasury. From July 19 to Dec. 31, 1777, the Commissioners of Sequestration sold Confiscated Property to the amount of £8036.2.2, in the Counties of Dutchess, Tryon, Ulster and Westchester.

Here is the story of Treasurer Livingston's strong box:—

1777	The State of New York to John Chipp of Kingston Dr.		
February 27th	To work, nails & stuff repairing a writing desk		£ 0. 8.0
	To stuff & nails for a large writing Table		8.0
	To making said Table		8.0
	To a Cupboard Lock, Hinges & Screws	0.6.0	
	To Glew and Nails	1.0	
	To stuff for the Box	5.0	
	To making said Box	12.0	1. 4.0
	To a Packing Box 8/ a pair of Snibles for do 1/—		9.0
	To repairing a small packing Box with a Bottom & a Board to cover it		3.0
	To 2 chests more with Hinges &c.		2.10.0
	[Audited, Apr. 8, and paid, May 20, 1777]		£ 5.10.0

The Accounts of Gerard Bancker, as Vice-Treasurer, began Aug. 28, 1775, and ended Mar. 31, 1778. So active was he, during that period, that he is often called the Treasurer, in the documents. The Provincial Congress frequently called him the Deputy State Treasurer, in 1776; and, in that year, he asked Pay for his services as Clerk to the Auditor. Numerous receipts, signed by claimants, show that Mr. Bancker was the Executive of the Treasury Department; subject, in part, to Mr. Livingston. Mr. Bancker, Dec. 26, 1777, acknowledged the receipt of £2. from the Auditor-General "so much I paid for removing the Treasury from Kingston to Rochester".

With this training in the Office, and with qualifications specially adapted to the work, it was not strange that Gerard Bancker was appointed State Treasurer under the First Constitution,

Apr. 1, 1778. Nor was it strange that his remarkable conduct of the Office led to his holding the same for twenty years. The retaining of this faithful public servant enabled the State, before the end of the Eighteenth Century, to close up the most important Accounts with its Creditors and with the United States.

Under the State, the Treasurer was paid the same amount that was paid under the Colony, £300. The duties of his Office were perplexing and arduous, although the Auditor-General relieved him by auditing the bills. It was the Treasurer's duty to raise the Money to pay the bills, and this was no easy task. The iron money-chest was moved about, like the Provincial Congress, from Rochester to Hurley, Poughkeepsie, Kingston and Albany. On retiring from office, Mr. Bancker availed himself of the privilege of those days and took the chest with him. A hundred years later, in 1898, the chest was sold, with many other interesting effects, for the estate of the late James A. Bancker, in Philadelphia.

The contents of the Treasurer's iron chest comprised a miscellaneous lot of Securities, many of them not very secure. Aside from a small amount of English Money, there was the Money issued by the Continental Congress, the Provincial Congresses and the State — all of it in various stages of depreciation. There were also Certificates issued by the Treasurer or the Auditor-General; and Notes issued by the Treasurer. The "Horse Notes" were those given for the purchase of horses. There were also the following kinds of Certificates:— Claim, State Agent's, Levy, Depreciation, Principal, New Principal and Interest. The latter kind was often subdivided into four parts.

A considerable sum came to the Treasury from the fines paid by Quakers who did not serve in the Army. Large amounts were paid in by the Commissioners of Forfeitures, and other bodies that were carrying on the work in special lines. A debt due to a Tory, or Suspected person, became a debt due to the State; and thus, an asset of the Treasury:—

A clear notion of the work of the Treasurer, in collecting Money and paying it out, cannot be had except by a thorough perusal of his papers in this Office. Not only did the Treasurer pay bills for expenses incurred during his term of office, but he was also obliged to pay bills that had come to him from the Treasurer of the Provincial Congress.

The Exchange of State and Continental Securities, directly after the War, was conducted by a Board of Commissioners consisting of William Denning, Henry Remsen and Comfort Sands. The latter was the Auditor-General from July 24, 1776, to Apr. 8, 1782.

Three days after Mr. Bancker's retirement from office, a law was passed, Mar. 19, 1798, directing that all the papers in the hands of Gerard Bancker, late Treasurer, should be lodged in the Office of the Comptroller; and those papers have remained in this Office ever since that date.

The Subscription Rolls

Circular Letter to the Commissioners in the Different Precincts in the several Counties.

Gentlemen:

We have received Authentic Intelligence that a considerable Land and Naval Force is daily expected from France; and, congress have made a requisition upon the several States for monies to be paid immediately in order to put our Army in a condition effectually to co-operate with our Allies. The Exigences will not admit of the slow operation of a Tax, or the formality of a Law for a Loan and the Taxes as they from time to time come into the Treasury are anticipated to discharge past contracts we have therefore had recourse to the Patriotism of Individuals, and for that purpose have opened subscriptions of which you have one inclosed. This subscription we must entreat you to promote and offer it to every person in whom you may suppose to have Ability and Inclination to subscribe.

By the Terms of the Subscription you will observe that the money is to be repaid within six months, or a year at the option of the respective lenders, with Interest at six per Cent per Annum and secured against a further depreciation.

We are authorized to give the fullest assurances that the Legislature will before they adjourn make effectual Provision for the punctual discharge of this Debt and also provide that if any of the subscribers should become purchasers of the forfeited Lands they may have Credit upon such Purchases for the sum subscribed with the Interest due thereon.

We must request you to use your influence with the subscribers to pay the money upon, or shortly after subscribing in which case you will please to receive the money and pass your receipts until the Subscription Rolls can be returned when you will be furnished with the proper Treasury Notes in order to cancel your Receipts, and within fourteen days from this day a Messenger will wait upon you with an order from the Treasury for the Subscription rolls and the monies you may have collected.

It is intended that no Subscriptions shall be taken for a less sum than five hundred Dollars. You will be allowed your expences. Congress in their Letter communicating this important Intelligence declare that the sum they require is necessary to put our own Army in Motion and observe that this Armament from France generously calculated either to produce a diversion in our favor or to forward the operation of our Arms by being directed to the same object, may either by our exertions be made the means of delivering our Country in the Course of the Campaign from the ravages of War or being rendered ineffectual through our supineness serve only to sully the reputation of our Arms, to defeat the benevolent intention of our great Ally and to disgrace our Confederacy in the Eyes of all Europe.

In short if ever there was a period in the war which called for Virtue and Spirit it is the present, you doubtless have the same Convictions and therefore we flatter ourselves with your utmost and immediate Exertions.

By Order of the Senate
By Order of the Assembly

Kingston May 30th 1780

In accordance with this appeal, the following made Loans to the State, on Subscription:—

Ackerman Casparus
Ackerman Gulian
Arden Thomas
Ball Peter
Ball Wilhelmas
Bamar Joseph
Barber Francis
Bauch Dohmas
Bauch Johannes
Bayard Samuel
Beak Barnabas
Becker Abraham
Becker Abram
Becker Albartus
Becker David
Becker Johannes H.
Beech Barnabus
Bellinger Johannes L.
Bellinger Marcus
Berringer Henry
Billings Andrew
Bloodgood Abraham
Bloodgood James
Bloom Isaac
Bloom John
Bogardus Egbert
Bonestil Philip
Bont Harmanes
Borst Jost
Bournstil Philip
Brancius W.
Brandow Johannes
Brett Theodorus
Brewster Henry
Brewster Joseph
Brinckerhoff John
Brinkerhoff Abraham
Bronck John L.
Bronck Peter
Brooks John
Brower Nicholas
Brown Daniel
Brown William
Bruch Johannes
Bruyn Benjamin
Cantine John, Col.
Cantine Matthew
Cantine Peter, Jr.

Carpenter Elijah
Carpenter William
Cash David
Cash William
Chesnut Alexander
Clements Thomas
Close John
Codwise George, Capt.
Concklin Daniel
Concklin Thomas
Conklin Samuel
Connyne Philip
Cooper & Campbell
Crandell Samuel
Cross John
Cross John I.
Cross Robert
Curtenius Peter T.
Cuyler Cornelius
Cuyler Jacob
Davis John
Decker Johannes
Dedrick J. W.
Delamater Gertruyd
Delamater Jacobus
Delamatter John
Delametter Jacob
Delemetter Martin
DePeyster John
Depue John
DeWitt John, Jr.
Dietz William
Dill Caleb
Dill John
Dubois Christian
Dubois Cornelius
Dubois Jacob, Jr.
Dubois Lewis
Dubois Matthew
Dubois Nathaniel
Duryee Abraham
Duryee Charles
Eckerson Thomas
Ellice James
Elsworth John
Enders Jacob
Ernest Mary
Fanning Phineas
Farguson Anne
Feek Cornelius
Finch Isaac
Fisher George
Flaake Coenradt
Fleming Peter
Floyd William
Fonda Abraham
Fonda Jelles
Fordham Daniel
Franks John
Freer Isaac
Gardner David
Gardner James
Gebhert John Gabriel
Gilchrist Adam
Glen Henry
Goetschius Stephen
Gosline Samuel
Grenell John
Griffen Richard
Griffin Jacob
Groesbeck Gerrit
Groom William
Groot Nicholas
Hager William
Haight Daniel
Haight Daniel, jr.
Haight Elizabeth (widow)
Haight Gideon
Haight Stephen
Hait Daniel
Hait Daniel, jr.
Harbork John
Hardenbergh Johannis G.
Hart Nehemiah
Hasbrouck Jonas
Havens Jonathan
Havens Jonathan Nicoll
Hawkins Eleazer
Hayt Gideon
Heermanse Gose
Hedge Stephen
Hedges Eleazer
Heger Johannes
Hendrickse William
Henry John
Hilsinger Peter
Hobart John Sloss
Holsapple William
Hoornbeck Benjamin
Hoornbeck Eleazor
Hoyt Gidion
Huick Henrich
Humphreys Thomas
Ingolt Johannes
Isaacs Aaron
Jacobs Phillip
Jansen Henry
Jessup Zebulon
Johnson John
Ketchum Joel
King Andrew
Knieskern Johannes, jr.
Kniskern Hendrick
Kniskern Jost
Kramer Charles
Landon David
Landon Ebenezer
Langdon Jared
Lansing Franciscus
Lansing Jacob F.
Lansing John, jr.
Lansing Levinus
Lasher John
Lawyer Johannes L.
Lawyer Laurentz
Leach Phineas
Leonard William, Capt.
Loudon Samuel
McClallen Henry
McClallen Robert
McFarlan Andrew
McFarley Andrew
McKee Thomas
Maley John
Mancius Wilhelmes
Marshall Francis
Marten Charles
Marvin Elihu
Marvin Elihu, jr.
Mattes Johannes
Matthise Jacob
Mattise Jost
Maul Christopher
Maul Friederick
Maul Johannes
Maul Johannes, jr.
Mead Lebeus
Mead Silas
Mead Soloman
Mercier Alexander
Merser Alexander
Meyer Stephanus
Miller Alexander
Miller Barnet
Miller Cornelis
Miller Matthew B.
Miller Samuel
Mitchel Hugh
Monfoort Peter
Monfoort Peter T.
Montgomery James
Moor James
Mowris Henry
Mulford Ezekiel
Muller Christopher
Mynderse John
Nevier Alexander S.
Newkerk Cornelius
Newkerk Nancy
Newkerk Philip
Nicoll John
Oothoudt Abraham
Osborn Jeremiah
Overbagh Johannis
Paine William
Parsons Elnathan
Parsons John
Payne William
Peacock John
Persen John
Phillips Amaziah
Phillips Samuel
Post James
Prout John
Quackenboss Sibrant
Ray Stephen
Rea Martha
Reed James
Reiorden Egnatius
Rice John Frederick
Richtmeyer Christian
Ries John Frederick
Rikes Peter
Robinson John
Robinson Rachel
Roosevelt Isaac
Rosa Jacob
Sanders John, jr.
Sands Comfort
Sands Richardson
Savage Charles
Savage David
Savage Henry, jr.
Savage Jean
Savage John
Savage Moses
Sears Isaac
Schafer Christian
Schell Christian
Schell Peter
Schenck Geysbert
Schenck Henry
Schoolcraft Lawrence
Schoonmaker Jacobus
Schoonmaker Jotham D.
Schurri Johannis
Shepherd John
Short Peter
Sichnich Harmen
Sickels Zacharias
Sleght John H.
Sloat John
Sly Samuel
Smith Caleb
Smith John W.
Smith Josiah, Col.
Smith Melancton
Smith Obadiah
Smith Philetus
Smith Samuel
Smith Wilhelmus
Smith William
Snyder Hendrick
Snyder Peter
Stewart William
Storm Gerret

Storm Gores
Storm Patience (widow)
Strachen Anne
Strachen Margaret
Stringer Samuel
Strong Selah
Stubrach Christian
Swart Evert W.
Swart Joseyas
Swartwout Jacobus
Swartwout Naittje
Tappen Peter
Tayler John
Taylor John
Ten Broeck Abraham
Ten Eyck Barent
Ten Eyck Matthew
Ter Bos Daniel
Turck John
Van Aken Petrus
Van Bunschoten Elias
Van Buschoten Teunis
Van den Burgh James
Van Deusen John
Van Deusen Lucas
Van Gelder Gerret
Van Kleeck John
Van Loon Albartus
Van Ness Peter
Van Ness William
Van Nette Petrus
Van Orden Ignatius
Van Orden John
Van Rensselaer James
Van Rensselaer Killian
Van Schaack Arant
Van Schaick Anthony
Van Slyke James
Van Steenbergh Tobias, jr.
Van Valkenberg Joachim, jr.
Van Vechten Teunis
Van Veghten Lucas
Van Wyck Theodorus
Vedder Arent H.
Visscher Bastejan T.
Visscher Matthew
Vroman Isaac
Vroman Martines
Vroman Peter
Vroman Peter A.
Vroman Peter I.
Vrooman Ephram
Vrooman Samuel
Walsh Hugh
Waltemire George
Washburn Bethuel
White James
Whiteman Henry
Wilde Hugh
Wills William
Wiltse Johannes
Wiltse Martin
Winfield David
Woodhull Abraham
Woodhull James
Wood Robert
Woolsey Richard
Wynkoop Adrian
Wynkoop Cattrena D.
Wynkoop Cornelius D.
Wynkoop Cornelius E.
Youngs Thomas
Zabrisky John Joost
Ziele Peter

The Loan Office

The Loan Office was an important adjunct to the Office of the Treasurer. As early as 1776, the names of Andrew Barclay, Nicholas Gouverneur and Theodorus Van Wyck appear as Loan Officers for the City and County of New York; and Ezra L'Hommedieu, for Suffolk County. In 1778, Governor Clinton, as Clerk of Ulster County, appointed Joseph Gasherie and Christopher Tappen as the Loan Officers of that County. The law of Mar. 30, 1778, appointed Commissioners to take, on loan, subscriptions of not less than $200. A Concurrent Resolution of the Legislature, Apr. 4, 1778, declared that all Loans to the State should be repaid, with six per cent interest, within one year, the money to be raised by Tax. The law of Oct. 8, 1778, authorized the Governor to appoint a Commissioner of the Continental Loan Office.

By An Act, passed Apr. 18, 1786, the Loan Officers were allowed to issue bills of credit for £200,000 to be numbered by Evert Bancker, Henry Remsen, Jonathan Lawrence, John De Peyster and William Heyer; and signed by any two of them, and delivered to the Treasurer. If more bills than necessary were printed, the signers were required to destroy the surplus. It was provided that Money should be lent for 14 years, from the third Tuesday of June, 1786, in sums not exceeding £300, nor less than £20; also that the Interest should be paid annually; also that the Principal should be paid 1/10 yearly, from 1791 to 1799. Bills remaining four weeks in the Loan Officers' hands might be lent in sums of more than £300; but if remaining more than eight weeks, they must be carried to the next Account. The Loan Officers were required to meet on the first Mondays of November, annually, to destroy bills that came into the Treasury. The Treasurer was authorized to exchange bills when he had received £150,000 in Gold and Silver, from the Loan Office.

Here is a spicy letter from the Loan Officer of Ulster County to the Treasurer, relative to one of the State Agents' Certificates:

Sir:— Kingston July 15th 1781

In your Letter of the 6th June last I found a General List of Agent Certificates sent to you a few Days previous to that date. Also a Blank Receipt for a Horse Note likewise sent you. The List you have herewith signed agreeable to Request. But the Receipt I do not think proper to sign. I have however drawn a Certificate to the same Effect in Lieu thereof, which I presume will answer your purpose. If not, shall at all times be ready to give such Testimonials as are consistent with the duty of my office respecting that matter. If you had sent me the Receipt to Sign without assigning any Reasons I never would have hesitated to do it. But you say "the Sum on the Face of the Note appears to be altered, and the Receipt on the back of it by Jacobus Bruyn is Obliterated partly". I must therefore confess that I do not know what is intended by demanding a Receipt from me, to be annexed to a paper which from you: Description has all the appearance of Fraud & Knavery about it; untill you satisfy me in this I shall consider it as perhaps not intended by you.

I am, Your most Obedt. Servt.

Gerard Bancker, Esq. Christopher Tappen

There were also "Certificates loaned to the State of New York to be exchanged for other Certificates or Securities for Monies due, and for the Purpose of receiving the Proportion of Interest directed by Law to be paid to Holders as Possessors of certain public Securities &c".

For an account of the way in which Governor Clinton secured money on Loans, see the Chapter on "The Governor".

Taxation

The importance of proper methods of Taxation grew more and more evident as the War progressed. One of the earliest laws on this subject was passed, Mar. 2, 1779. The operation of this law, and the duties of the Treasurer in connection with it, were explained by Concurrent Resolutions of the Legislature, passed Aug. 27, Sept. 29, and Oct. 2, 1779.

On Feb. 12, 1780, a law "to facilitate supplies for the Army of the United States within this State" provided that the inhabitants might pay Taxes by Certificates issued by Morgan Lewis, Deputy Quarter Master General; Udny Hay, State Agent and Deputy Quarter Master General in the U. S. Army; Jacob Cuyler, Deputy Commissary General of Purchases in the U. S. Army; or Andrew Bostwick, Deputy Commissary of Forage in the U. S. Army. Taxes were paid not only in State Agents' and Wheat Certificates; but also in Certificates of the following Kinds: Principal, Interest, Levy and Loan Office.

Under the Tax laws of Apr. 11, 1787, and Mar. 19, 1788, the Treasurer acknowledged the receipt of large sums from the County Treasurers of Albany, Queens, Richmond and Suffolk. These sums, paid for Taxes, were in the form of Certificates for Claims against Forfeited Estates.

According to the documents, Orange was the only County that kept separate lists of real and personal property.

THE SURVEYOR-GENERAL

Simeon De Witt and Philip Schuyler were Surveyors-General. Charles Clinton was Deputy Surveyor General. Thomas Machin was Engineer. Isaac Andrews, Evert Bancker, David Burt, Archibald Campbell, Charles Clinton, jr., Robert Cochran, Joseph Crary, David Culley, George Fleming, Abraham Hardenburgh, Seth Marvin, Hugh Maxwell, Thomas Palmer, William Palmer, Platt Rogers, Walter Sabin, Seth Sherwood, Cornelius Tappen, Josiah Throop and Lawrence Vrooman were Surveyors.

The office of Surveyor-General was instituted, in the Province of New Netherland, in 1642; and it continued till it was abolished by the Constitution of 1846, and the Office of State Engineer and Surveyor was created in its place. For a portion of the time, previous to the War, the officer was known as the Surveyor of the King's Woods. The Office of Surveyor-General was revived by the law of Mar. 21, 1781, for raising two Regiments on Land Bounty Rights.

Philip Schuyler was appointed Surveyor-General by the Council of Appointment, Mar. 30, 1781. He was succeeded by Simeon De Witt, May 13, 1784. The latter held the Office till Jan. 20, 1835, and he was intimately associated with the development of the Canal system of the State.

The Census

The Continental Congress, Dec. 11, 1781, recommended that each of the several States should take an Enumeration of the "white inhabitants thereof, pursuant to the Ninth Article of the Confederation"; and again, Apr. 18, 1783, that the number of all the Inhabitants should be taken. The Legislature, Mar. 20, 1782, passed a law authorizing an Enumeration in accordance with the first of the recommendations, noted above; and the Surveyor-General, Philip Schuyler, sent out a circular and blanks for taking an Enumeration: of the Inhabitants; and, of the Buildings and Patented Lands. Unfortunately, that part of the circular relating to No. 1 is missing; but the following has been preserved:—

In compleating the Returns, marked No. 2, you will please, where any lands are not occupied, to insert in the column, intitled, "Occupants Names", the Names of the present Proprietors, if you can, if not, then to enter in the same Column, such a Description thereof, as that the Identity of the Lands may be ascertained.

When the returns are compleated, you will please to transmit them, by some safe Conveyance, to the Supervizors Clerk, of your County, whom I shall intreat to forward the mto me.

No. 1. was entitled: "A Return of the Inhabitants in the County of in the State of New York; together with a Return of the Killed and captivated in the War, and of those who have joined the Enemy". Under each of the four captions of "White Males", "White Females", "Black Males" and "Black Females", subdivisions give the age as "under 16 years",

" 16 and under 50 ", and " 50 and upwards ". The " Killed ", the " Captivated " and those who " Joined the Enemy ", are classified as either male or female; and a column is ruled to record those who " Returned from Captivity ".

No. 2. was a " Return of Buildings and of patented Lands, in the County of in the State of New York; together with an Estimate of the real Value of the Buildings and Lands, 1783 ". The several columns were arranged as follows:— " Occupants Names "; " Dwelling Houses, Brick or Stone, Framed or Log "; " Barns and other Out Houses "; " Mills, Grist, Saw, Fulling, Powder, Paper or Oil "; " Distilleries "; " Breweries "; " Furnaces "; " Forges "; " Value of the Buildings "; " Acres of Land, both Improved and Unimproved "; " Value of the Lands ".

On Feb. 8, 1786, the Legislature passed a law to more fully comply with the Federal law of Apr. 18, 1783.

Land Bounty Rights

The important subject of Land Bounty Rights is mentioned, very briefly, on pages 12 and 14 of the second edition of " New York in the Revolution ". The subject is worthy of more extended treatment.

The original documents are dated from 1781 to 1794, and those relating to Land Grants bear the indorsements of Philip Schuyler and Simeon De Witt, Surveyors-General. The laws of Apr. 1, 1778, Mar. 11, 1780 and Mar. 23, 1782, relating to the Land Bounty Rights are briefly described on page 12 of the book to which reference has been made, above.

As a condition precedent to the claiming of a Right, every Company of Militia was divided into Classes, the number of men in a Class having been settled by law, but averaging about fifteen. Each Class chose one of its number as its head, and it was thereafter known as the Class belonging to the head man. The Class was required to furnish an acceptable man for service in the Troops of the United States known as " the Line " and in return it had an allowance of 200 acres of Land. The Declaration and Assignment of the Land Bounty Rights was sometimes preceded by this statement:—

WHEREAS, in Consequence or pursuance of an act of the Legislature of the State of New York, passed the 17th Day of November, 1781, the Militia of said State was ordered to be Formed into Classes for the purpose of raising fifteen hundred Men for the defence of its frontiers purporting that one Man in each Class should be stiled the head of such Class, and

WHEREAS the said Legislature did, on the 23d Day of March, 1782, take under consideration the very great scarcity of Specie, was pleased as an aid or encouragement in raising the Men as aforesaid to give as a gratuity Two Hundred Acres of Land out of the unappropriated Lands belonging to the said State to each Class who should raise a Man on certain conditions therein specified:—

Now this indenture witnesseth — That we whose Names are hereunto set and Seals affixed, being the Majority of a Class (&c).

More frequently, the Declaration and Assignment took the following form:—

TO ALL TO WHOM these presents shall come know ye that we Lawrance Vrooman, Tobias Ten Eyck, Arent N. Van Petten, Adam Condy, Lanchester Conner, Nicholas Hall, Jacob

Ten Eyck, Cornelius Lansing, James Lighthall x x x the major part of the members of a Class in the Rigement of militia commanded by, Colo Abraham Wemples x x x having under the act Entitled an act for Raising troops to complete the line of this State in the service of the united states; and the two rigements to be Raised on Bounties of unappropriated lands, and for the further defence of the Frontiers of this state passed the twenty thierd day of march one thousand seven hundred and Eighty two Engaged John Christiance to serve in said troop for the further defence of the Frontiers untill the first day of January Eighty three.....do hereby grant transfer assign and set over unto Danial Toll x x x and to his heirs and assigns all our Estate Right title and Intrest to any land we are or may become, Intitled to for or by Reason of our Engaging the said, John Christianse as aforesaid under or by virtue of the said act to have and to hold all the Estate Right title and Intrest of in or to the land, unto the said, Danial Toll x x x his heirs and assigns forever IN WITNESS whereof we have hereunto set our hand; and affixed our seals this Eighth day of May in the year of our lord one thousand seven hundred and Eighty two and in the sixth year of our Independence

Signed Sealed and delivered
In the presents of
Jacob Swits
John Hetherington

Lawrence Vrooman
Tobyas Ten Eyck
Arent N. Van Petten
Adam Condey
Lancaster Conner
Nicholas Hall
Jacob T. Ten Eyck
Cornelius Lanseng
James Lythall

Memorandum that on the 14 day of May one thousand seven hundred and Eighty two personally appaired before me, Isaac Vrooman Esqr. one of the judges of the Inferior court of common pleas, for the city and county of Albany Jacob Swits x who being duly sworn on the holy Evangelist of Almighty god that he saw, the several grants sign seal and deliver the above deed for the use therein mentioned and that he also saw, John Hetherington the other witness subscribe as witness thereunto; and having carefully perused the same and finding no material Razours or Interlinations therein do allow the same to be Recorded Isaac Vrooman

The men who affixed seals, in the above and all similar documents, have been grouped under the heading of "The Militia-Land Bounty Rights", in the second edition of "New York in the Revolution". Although there is no record of their having seen actual service in the field, at that late period of the War, yet they have been classed as Soldiers who should be given credit for their willingness to serve, if necessary.

Returning, now, to the Class Right, copied above, it should be stated that Daniel Toll was an Assignee — (See list of "Assignees", at the end of this Chapter) — The same man also became as Assignor (See list of "Assignors" &c):—

KNOW ALL MEN by these presents that I, Daniel Toll within named do hereby grant, transfer, assign and set over unto Isaac Vrooman, Esqr., and to his Heirs and Assigns the one just, equal and undivided third part of all the Estate, Right, Title and interest to the Land by the within deed Assigned, Transferred and set over unto me:—

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the Estate, Right, Title and Interest of, in and to the one just, equal and undivided third part of the said Land, and premises unto the said Isaac Vrooman, his Heirs and Assigns, forever; and I, the said Daniel Toll, do grant, assign and set over unto the said Isaac Vrooman full power and authority to receive and take a grant by Letters patent for the whole of the said Land, within assigned and set over unto me, in his own

name. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this fourteenth day of May in the sixth year of our Independence, 1782.

Signed, Sealed and delivered in the presence of Daniel Toll.
Andrew McDowell
Lawrence Vrooman

Accompanying every Class Right was a Certificate of the Muster Master of the United States Troops that the head of the Class had delivered to him an able-bodied man (usually mentioned by name) " duly armed and equipped ". An example of such a Certificate follows:—

This is to Certify that Lawrence Vrooman, as a Superintendent of a Class in Coll. Wemple's Regt. of Militia, No. 19, has procured an able-bodied Man for the Service, untill the first Day of January next, properly equip as is required by an Act entitled "An Act for raising the troops for the Defense of the Frontiers ", and mustered before me this 14th of May 1782

Guy Young, Capt., Muster Master

It was seldom that any member of a class bought the Right of the Class and proceeded to locate the Land. In almost every case the Right was assigned to some Officer in the Army, or to an outsider; and sometimes there were several Assignments before the Application for a Certificate was actually made to the Surveyor-General. Thereafter, the business was done directly with that Officer. (See lists " Fees of the Surveyor-General ", " Certificates of the Surveyor-General ", " Class Rights " and " Locations ", at the end of this Chapter). The usual form of an Application for a Certificate was this:—

I Zaccheus Scrivener, of Ballstown in the County of Albany and State of New York, do, in consequence of two Certificates & their transfers for Class rights of two hundred Acres each and by virtue of an Act of said State in such case providing, Locate the two following tracts of Land — To wit, the one lying on the West bank of Hudson's river between the North boundary of Cayadarosseras Patent and the waters of the North River to contain two hundred Acres. The Other tract, on the East side of the North River between the said North bounds of Cayadarosseras patent and the South bounds of Jessups patent Immediately after passing a ridge lying on the East bank of said River about a mile and a Quarter from the Said East Bank, to contain likewise two hundred Acres — For the Use and in behalf of Eliphalet Kellog. As Witness my hand this third day of November 1784

Zacheus Scriber Ju

The Certificate of the Surveyor-General usually took this form:—

Surveyor Generals Office, New York Novr 3d, 1784.

I do hereby certify that Zaccheus Scrivener has deposited in this Office two Class Rights, for two hundred Acres each, and his Location for two Tracts of Land the One on the West bank of the Hudsons River between the North bounds of Cayadarosseras patent and the Waters of the Hudsons river for two hundred Acres the other between Cayadarosseras and Jessups patent about a mile and a Quarter East from where the North boundary line of Cayadarosseras Crosses the Said Hudson, likewise for two hundred Acres. In behalf of and for the use of Eliphalet Kellogg. Simeon De Witt, Surv'r Gen'l

Along with the descriptions of the Lands located there appear about 100 Maps, 15 or 20 of which are quite elaborate. Some of them relate to the places now known as Ithaca, Canajoharie, Elmira and Binghamton; and there are also valuable maps of Locations in the Counties of Herkimer, Montgomery, Delaware, Orange, Albany, Clinton and Ulster, including the German Patent. There are also Maps of Locations along the Susquehanna River, and Maps of numerous farms.

Among the Applications for Locations are the following, with the dates thereof: In 1782, Barent I. Staats, Tryon County, near Oneida lake; 1782, Leonard Gansevoort, Tryon County, in the Mohawk and Schoharie valleys; 1782, Martinis Zielie, Tryon County, at the head of Cayuga Lake, with a Map of the site of Ithaca; 1783, Isaac Vrooman, Tryon County; 1783, Gen William Allison and Stephen Lush, Tryon County, along the Susquehanna River, with several Maps; 1783, David Cully, Tryon County, the site of Binghamton, with a Map; 1783, Isaac Vrooman, Tryon County; 1784, John Bay, Montgomery County, "town of Chemung"; 1784, Witter Johnston, Montgomery County, along the Susquehanna River, with Maps; 1785, Jonathan Fitch, Montgomery County, along the Delaware River; 1785, Jelles Fonda, Montgomery County; 1785, three several Claims by David Lapham, Abligence Waldo and Elihu Wade, each with his Associates, for Land in Montgomery County, in the vicinity of Binghamton; 1785, Thomas Machin, Montgomery County, near Seneca Lake; 1786, William Arnot and others, Montgomery County, the site of Elmira; 1786, Lawrence Vrooman, and Col. Marinus Willett, Montgomery County; 1787, John Van Anglen, Thomas Sickels, Robert McCallan, John Maley and John Tayler, Montgomery County, various Locations; 1788, Henry Oothout, Abraham Oothout and Volkert Veeder, Montgomery County, various Locations; 1789, Henry Wisner, Isaac Vrooman, Jeremiah Van Rensselaer, Seth Reed, St. Leger Cowley and Moses De Witt, Montgomery County, various Locations; 1789, Henry Wisner, Preserved Cooley and John Lansing, jr., Montgomery County, several Locations near Elmira; 1789, William Harper, Ontario County, the site of Oswego Falls, with Maps; 1790, Abraham Hardenburgh and Moses De Witt, Montgomery County, "North of Seneca Lake"; 1791, John Hallenbeck and Ezekiel Crocker, Tioga County; 1791, Patrick Burnet, Montgomery County, "North of Seneca Lake"; 1792, John Bay, Ezra L'Hommedieu, John Cantine, Nathan Parshall, James McKown, James Clinton and Matthew Carpenter, Tioga County, various Locations; 1793, Charles McKnight and John D. Dickinson, Ontario County; 1793, John Gazley and Caleb Bentley, Tioga County, Bentley claiming the site of "Newtown"; 1793, Col. Morgan Lewis, Montgomery County; 1794, John Carpenter, Onondaga County, various Locations; 1794, Col. John Hathorn and John Suffern, Tioga County, various Locations; 1794, Abraham Lansing and Moses De Witt, Ontario County "West of Seneca Lake"; 1795, William Cockburn, Otsego County, along the Delaware River; 1797, Matthew Watson and William Cockburn, Tioga County, various Locations.

One of the Applications was made by John Tayler, Jeremiah Van Rensselaer, Philip Schuyler and Simon De Witt for "The Ten Townships" on the St. Lawrence River. The tract contained 16,450 acres. Other Applicants for large tracts, together with the number of acres they claimed, were these:— Zephaniah Platt, 88,500; Thomas Machin, 81,000; Jeremiah Van Rensselaer 23,570; Henry Oothout, 22,050; Simeon De Witt, and others, 16,450; Pliny Moore, 11,967; James Dean, 11,600.

For further information see "Bounties".

The names of all persons who appear in connection with the Land Bounty Rights have been classified; and they may be found in the six lists given below:—

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Abbott Joel
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Adamy Peter
Addams John
Addams William
Addoms John
Addoms Jonas
Adgate Matthew
Adriance Albert
Akin John
Akin Jonathan
Alger George
Allen Samuel
Allison William, Col.
Alsdorph Philip
Andrews Zenas
Angle William
Anson John
Arden John, jr.
Armstrong John
Arnot William
Arnout Peter
Ashman Samuel
Ashmore John
Aspinwall Eleazor
Astin Jacob
Atwater John
Atwell Peter
Atwood Jabes
Austin Isaac
Ayres Robert
Babcock Elisha
Babcock William
Baker Albert
Bancker Francis Mesnard
Bancker John
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Banks Justus
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Barheit Nicholas
Barker Solomon
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Barnet James
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Barnum Samuel, Dr.
Barnum Samuel
Barton Benjamin
Barton Lewis, sr.
Barton Lewis, jr.
Bateman Elisha
Bay John
Beach Zerah
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Beebe Hosea
Beebe Martin
Beeckman Jacob
Beeckman John H., Lt. Col.
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Bell Robert
Benedict Azariah
Benedict Joseph, Lt. Col.
Benedict Joseph
Benedict Nathan
Bennet John
Bentley Caleb
Berry Jabos
Bertholf Gilliam
Bevier Andrew
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Bevier Samuel
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Billings Andrew
Birdsall Benjamin
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Bloomer William
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Bogardus Jacob
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Bond John, Dr.
Bouton Stephen
Bowman Samuel
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Bullis Peter
Bullis Robert
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Burnet Patrick
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Cantine John, Col.
Cantine John I.
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Carpenter Daniel
Carpenter John
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Carpenter Moses
Carpenter Richard
Carpenter William
Carr
Carr William
Carter William
Case Abraham
Case Alexander
Case Philip
Case Stephen
Cassel Gedion
Chamberlain John
Chamberlain William
Chandler John
Chapley William
Chapman Benjamin, Capt.
Christman Nicholas
Clark Ebenezer
Clark George
Clark William
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Cock James
Cockburn William
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Coe John D.
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Cole Barnabas
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Conant Josiah
Concklin Isaac
Conine Peter, jr.
Conkling Benjamin
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Cook William
Coon Marcus
Cooper Annanias
Cooper Cornelius I.
Cooper Henry
Coulter Thomas
Cowing Isaac
Cowley St. Leger
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Crippen Thaddeus
Crist Daniel
Cristeyanse Cornelius
Cross William
Cry John
Culley David
Cumpston Edward
Curtenius Peter T.
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Day Nathaniel
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De Graff Simon
De Groot Joseph
Delaney Dennis
Delano Thomas
Delavan Nathaniel
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De Witt Moses
De Witt Peter
De Witt Simeon
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Dicason John
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Dingman Gerrardus
Dodge William
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Douglass Wheeler
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Grisiel Elijah, jr.
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Gue Joseph
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Hait Daniel
Hait Jacob
Hait Phinehas
Hall Daniel
Hall John
Hall William
Hallak Joshua
Hallenbeck Henry
Halshoudt Frederick
Hamilton James
Hamlin Asa
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Handel John
Hanes Caleb
Hanes Caleb, jr.
Hanford Timothy H.
Hanmore David
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Hardenbergh John L.
Hardin Thomas
Haring Cornelius
Haring Elbert
Harnden John
Harper William
Harpur William
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Harris James, jr.
Harris John
Harris Joshua
Harris Moses
Harrison Justus, Capt.
Harsin George
Hart Henry
Hartwell Ebenezer
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Hasbrouck Jacob, Maj.
Hasbrouck Petrus
Hatch Matthew
Hathorn John
Heerman Reyer
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Holly Jesse
Holly William
Holmes James
Hooker Gilbert
Hopkins Freeman
Hopkins Solomon
Hornbeck Benjamin
Hough Zephaniah
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How Jonathan
Howard John
Howell Stephen
Hoyt Jesse
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Humphrey Hugh
Humphrey James
Humphry Dudley
Hunsdon John
Hunt James
Hunt Samuel
Hunt Ward
Hunter James
Hunter Matthew
Hunter William
Hutchings Absolum
Hutton Jacob
Hutton Timothy
Huxley James
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Hynpagh Peter
Ingles George
Inglish John
Irvin Henry
Jackson Archibald
Jackson Benjamin
Jackson Elias
Jackson Michael
Jansen Henderikus
Jennings Stephen
Johnson Isaac
Johnson Shepherd
Jones Augustus
Jones James
Joy Samuel
Kain James
Kayser Hendrick
Keeler Hezekiah
Keets George
Kellogg Eliphalet
Kellogg Stephen
Kelly Sylvanus
Kentor John
Kesler Thomas
Ketchum Stephen
King Gideon
King James
King Samuel
Kinkead Crownidge

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Klump Thomas
Klyn Jacob
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Knap Abram
Knickerbacker John
Knickerbacker Peter
Knickerbacker Philip
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Knox Joseph
Kortright Lawrence
Kratzen George
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Lansing Hendrick
Lansing Jeremiah
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Lansing John, jr.
Lansing John G.
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Lee Jonathan
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Lewis Morgan, Col.
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Lockwood Job
Lockwood Moses
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Loop Peter, jr., Lt.
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Low John
Lowry James
Luckey George
Ludinton Henry
Lush Richard
Lush Stephen
Lytle William
Mabie Joseph
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McArthur John P.
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McCall Benejah
McCallen James
McChesney John
McClaghry James, Col.
McClallen Robert
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Nicholson Thomas
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Northrup Joel
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Owen Jonathan
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Owen Nathaniel
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Palmer Joseph
Palmer Thomas
Palmer Thomas, Agt.
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Perigo Usual
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Rogers Platt
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Rowley Nathan
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St. John Abraham, jr.
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Sanford Ezra
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Sayres John, Capt.
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Schermer Maas
Schermerhorn Barnardus (Freeman)
Schermerhorn Jacob C.
Schoolcraft John
Schoolcraft Laurence
Schoonmaker Cornelius C.
Schoonmaker Thomas
Schoonmaker Wilhelmus
Schultzs Jacob
Schumman John jr
Schuyler Harmanus
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Scofield Ezra
Scofield Smith
Scott Archibald
Scott Peter
Seaman Baltus
Sears Benjamin
Seely Jonas
Selfridge John
Selfridge Oliver
Seyler Jehiel
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Shafer Jacob
Shaw Daniel
Shaw James M.
Shaw Samuel
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Shepard James
Shepherd Joel
Sherwood Seth
Shuls Christian
Shuter Robert
Shuts Abraham
Sickels Thomas
Sikes Nathan
Simmons William
Simson Peter
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Sly John
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Smith Henry
Smith Isaac
Smith Israel
Smith John
Smith Melancton
Smith Nathan
Smith Nathaniel
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Smith Platt
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Williams Sanford
Williams Tim
Williams Uriah
Willis James
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Willson Amos
Willson William
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Wilson Robert
Wilson Samuel
Wilson William
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Wisner Henry, jr.
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Witbeck Peter W.
Witbeeck Abraham Johs
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Wolgemuth John
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Wood Robert
Wood William
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Woodhull Robert
Woodworth Josiah
Woodworth Robert
Woolsey Melancton Lloyd
Worden Ahitophel
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Wyckoff Hendrick
Wyncoop Cornelius E.
Yale Stephen
Yates Christopher
Yates Joseph C.
Yates Peter
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Young William
Youngs Silas
Zabriskie John Jost
Zielie Martinis
Zimmer William

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Casler Henry
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Cooper Cornelius I.
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Crapow Peter
Crippen Thaddeus
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Crumb Richard
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Cunningham Thomas
Curtice Ezra
Daily Robert
Danforth Asa
Darling Ephraim
Dart Abiel
Day Nathaniel
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Defendorf Jacob
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De Groot Henry
De Groot Joseph
Delamater Henry
Delano Thomas
Delavan Nathaniel
Delavergne Benjamin
Delenow Nathan
Delong David
Delong Joseph
Dennis Joseph
Dennison Prince
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Devoe Henry
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De Witt Moses
De Witt Peter
De Witt Tjerck C.
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Dickson Richard
Diefendorff Johaniacob
Dilliber John
Dingman Gerrardus
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Elliott Thomas
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Embler Nathaniel
Ernst Frederick
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Eyelyn James
Fansher William
Farrington James
Faurot Henry
Fellows Abiel
Ferguson Caleb
Fitzgerald
Flagg John
Fonda Abraham
Fonda Isaac D.
Foot Darius
Foot Simeon
Ford Isaac
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Foster David
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Gilbert Samuel
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Gill William
Gillet Joel
Gillet Lemuel
Gilliland William
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Ginson Richard
Gorsline James
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Graham William
Grass George
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Green Jehiel
Green Nathan
Green Peter
Green Timothy
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Gregg Hezekiah
Gregg James
Gregg William
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Groom William
Guile Levi
Guillaume Martain
Guth Johann George
Hackney William
Hackny Joseph
Hainer Coenrad
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Hait Daniel
Hait Jacob
Hait Phinahas
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Hall John
Hall Simon
Hallak Joshua
Hallenbeck Henry
Hallett William
Halshoudt Frederick
Halsted James
Hambleton John
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Hammond Abijah
Hammond Jno. Christopher
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Haring John Christian Fuor
Harnden John
Harper William
Harpur William
Harrington William
Harris Henry
Harris Joshua
Harris Moses
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Hart Henry
Hartwick Christian
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Hawley Zadoc
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Heermance Andrew P.
Heermance Gose
Heliker Herman
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Hinman Lewis
Hochstrasser Baltus
Hodges Curtis
Hodges Jack
Hoffman Harman
Hogeboom Stephen
Holdsberger Adam
Holly Jesse
Holly William
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Holmes James
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House Seth
Hudson William
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Humphrey James
Hunsdon John
Hunt James
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Hunt Ward
Hunter James
Hunter John
Hunter Matthew
Hunter William
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Hutchins John
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Huxley James
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Jackson Michael
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Jerroms Jassen
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Johnson Shepperd
Johnston Benjamin
Johnston Witter
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Jones John
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Joy Samuel
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Kellogg Stephen
Kelly Dennis
Kelly Edward
Kelly John
Kelly Sylvenus
Kentor Richard
Kesler Thomas
Ketchum Stephen
Kill Christopher
Killey Sylvenis
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King Samuel
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Kinney Amos
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Kleinman Thomas
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McArthur John P.
McArthur Neal
McCallan Robert
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McClallen Robert
McCleary Daniel
McCollister Hamilton
McCoy Daniel
McCoy John
McDaniel Alexander
McDaniel Henry
McDonald Donald
McDonol Anninias
McEwan Cornelius
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McGill John
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McKnight Charles
McKown Isaac
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McMaster David
McMaster James
McMaster Robert
McMichel Patrick
McNeal John
McWethy David
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Maley John
Malone John
Mandeville Francis
Mansfield Henry
Mansfield Thomas
Marble Sampson
Marselis Arent
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Moffat Thomas
Moffet John
Montanye Peter
Montgomery Hugh
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Moon Abraham
Moor Daniel
Moor Francis
Moor Martin
Moore John
Moore Pliny
Morancy Joseph
More John
Moredock Zimri
Morrell William
Morriston Lewis
Mosher Thomas
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Mott Gershom
Mower Peter
Mulks Benoni
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Murphy Thomas
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Mynderse John
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Nathan Reace
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Nicholson Thomas
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Nimham John
Nimham Isaac
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Northrup Joel
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Onderdonk Garret
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Otterman James
Ouderkerk John
Owen Jonathan
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Palmer Joseph
Palmer Thomas
Palmer William
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Phelps Israel
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Van der Cook Michael
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Van Dusen Jacob
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Van Loon John M.
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Van Orden Egnatyus
Van Orman Isaac
Van Petten John
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Van Rensselaer P.
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Van Sice Cornelius
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Van Slyke Tobias
Van Steenbergh Abraham
Van Tassel Abraham
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Williams Tim
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Wormwood Peter
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Yates Christopher
Yeanor Anthony
Young Henry
Young Mathias
Young William
Youngs Silas
Zielie Martinis

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Brewster Nathan
Caldwell James
Campbell Archibald
Campbell Christian
Campbell Donald
Campbell Jacob
Campbell John
Cantine John
Carpenter John
Chruch Timothy
Clark
Cockburn William
Cook
Cooper (Judge)
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De Witt Moses
Douglass Asa
Douglass Wheeler

Douglass William
Duerville
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Fitch Elnathan
Fitch Jonathan
Flint
Fonda Jacob
Fonda Jelles
Fort Isaac
Fort Peter
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Gazley John
Gilbert Josiah
Gillet
Gilliland William
Goeterhuis M.
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Hardenbergh Abraham
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Harris Moses
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Maley John
Moore Pliny
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Newkerck Garrit
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Oothout Abraham
Oothout Henry
Palmer Thomas
Platt Zephaniah
Pratt Abraham
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Suffern John
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Ten Eyck Andries
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Watson
Watson James
Watson John
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Winens
Wisner Henry
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Zabrisky John
Zielie Martinis

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Baynar Goldsbrow
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Bedwell Daniel
Bell Robert
Benedict Joseph
Bentley Caleb
Bertholf Gilliam
Bleecker John
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Bloomer William
Boyd Robert
Brown Benajah
Brown Hercules
Brown Jacob
Burnet Patrick
Burns Francis
Caldwell James
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Campbell John
Cannon James
Cantine John
Carpenter John
Carpenter Matthew
Case Abraham
Chard Bass
Clark Ebenezer
Clinton James
Cluet Frederick
Cochran John
Cockburn William
Collier Isaac
Colver David
Cooley Preserved
Cowles Gideon, Ens.
Crocker Ezekiel
Cruger Henry
Culley David
Curtenius Peter T.
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Deake Oliver
Dean James
Dean Nathan
De Barry Thomas
De Golier James
De Graaf Simon
Delaney John
Demott Isaac
Demott James
De Witt Moses
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Dominick Francis
Doolittle David
Doty Shadrack
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Douglass Wheeler
Douglass William
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Earll Daniel
Edmonds Samuel
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Fitch Jonathan
Fitch Jonathan, Agt.
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Fonda Jelles
Ford Jacob
Foster Samuel
Franklin Thomas
Freligh George
Fulmer Christeyan
Gansevoort Leonard
Garnsey John
Gazley John
Gilbert Josiah
Gilliland William
Gilliland William, Agt.
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Glen John
Gotlip Peter
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Hallenback John
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Hammond Abijah
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Hardenbergh Abraham
Hardin Thomas
Haring Elbert
Harper William
Harris Joshua
Harris Moses
Harshold Frederick
Hasbrouck Elias
Hasold Frederick W.
Hatch Samuel
Hathorn John
Hogeboom Stephen
Hooper Robert Lettis
Hornbeck Benjamin
Houseman George
Humphrey James
Hylsop Robert
Hynpagh Peter
Ingles George
Keader Stephen
Kellogg Eliphalet
Kidder Stephen
Kinkead Crownidge
Klump Thomas
Knap Abraham

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Tappen Peter
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Schoonmaker Cornelius C.
Schuyler Philip
Scrivener Zaccheus, Agt.
Sheppard Horace
Sherwood Seth
Shultz Jacob
Sill Cytje
Sill Shadrack
Smith David
Smith Levi
Smith Melancton
Snyder William, Agt.
Stene Conrad
Sternberg David
Stoughton Levi
Strong Warham
Suffern John
Sweet Elizabeth
Swetland Ambrose
Tayler John
Tebow Andries
Ten Broeck Abraham
Ten Broeck Dirck
Ten Eyck Abraham
Thompson Willis
Thorn William
Throop Josiah, Agt.
Tillman Christopher
Townsend H.
Townsend Levi
Townsend Peter
Townsend Solomon
Townsend William
Tremper Jacob
Trimble George
Tubbs Ichabod
Van der Cook Michael
Van Hoegen Justis H.
Van Loon Albertus
Van Loon John
Van Loon John M.
Van Ness John
Van Rensselaer Jeremiah
Van Slyck Nicholas
Van Wagenen Gerrit H.
Vinegar Samuel
Visscher Matthew
Visscher Teunis J.
Vredenburgh William J.
Vrooman Adam B.
Vrooman Isaac
Waldo John
Waldo Jonathan
Walker James
Walter Casper
Walworth Jer
Watson John
Watson Matthew
Webster Charles R.
Welsh Peter
Weynor Michael
White George
Whitney Joshua
Willett Marinus, Col.
Williams John, Col.
Wisner Henry
Witbeck John A.
Woodhull Jesse, Col.
Woolsey Melancton Lloyd
Wright Caleb
Yates Christopher
Yates Peter
Yates Peter W.
Zabrisky John
Zimmer William

LOCATIONS

Abbott Joel
Adams Peter
Adamy Peter
Addoms John
Adgate Matthew
Albany, Mayor, Aldermen & Commonalty of
Allison William, Col. et al.
Andrews Isaac
Arnot William
Ashman Samuel
Atwell Paul
Ayres Robert
Baker Albert
Bard John
Barheydt Nicholas
Barhydt Claus
Bay John
Bebee John
Beebe Marten
Bedwell Daniel
Bell Robert
Bell William
Benedict Joseph
Bentley Caleb
Bertholf Gilliam
Bleecker John
Bleecker John N.
Bleecker John R., Agt.
Blin Seth
Bloomer William
Boyd Robert
Brown Jacob
Buck Lemuel
Burgis Stephen
Burnet Patrick
Caldwell James
Campbell Archibald
Campbell John
Cannon James
Cantine John
Cantine John, Agt.
Carpenter John
Carpenter Matthew

Carter William
Case Abraham
Case Philip
Case Timothy
Chard Bass
Clark Ebenezer
Clinton Charles
Cluet Frederick
Cockburn William
Colver David
Cooley Preserved
Cornelius John
Cowles Gideon, Lt.
Cowley St. Leger
Crocker Ezekiel
Culley David
Cumpston Edward
Curtenius Peter T.
Deake Mason
Deake Oliver
Dean James
Defendorf Johannes
De Golier James
De Graff Simon
De Groot Mary
Demott Isaac
Demott James
De Witt Moses
De Witt Moses, Agt.
De Witt Simeon
De Witt Thomas
Dickinson Jeduthan
Dickinson John D.
Dickinson Joseph
Doolittle David
Doty Shadrack
Douglass Asa
Douglass Wheeler
Douglass Wheeler, Agt.
Douglass William
Drake Reuben
Duncan John
Earll Daniel
Edmonds Samuel
Ellwood Richard
Elmendorph Peter
Elwood Richard
English John
Evans Samuel
Faurot Henry
Fitch Elnathan
Fitch Jonathan
Fitch Jonathan, Agt.
Fitzgerald William
Flaak Coenradt
Fonda Abraham
Fonda Isaac D.
Fonda Jelles
Fonda Jelles A., Agt.
Fonda Peter A.
Ford Jacob
Ford Jacob, Agt.
Ford Nathaniel
Fort Jacob, jr.
Foster Samuel
Fox Benjamin
Freer Abraham
Freleigh George
Frothingham Thomas
Fulmer Christeyan
Gansevoort Leonard
Gansevoort Leonard, Agt.
Gansevoort Peter, jr.
Gardiner David
Garlock George
Garloff George
Garnryck William
Garnsey John
Gause Benjamin
Gazeley John
Gedney Eleazor
Geston Benjamin
Gifford Joseph
Gilbert Josiah
Gilliland William
Gilliland William, Agt.
Gilmore George
Glen Jacob
Gotlip Peter
Greaves Mark
Gregg Hezekiah
Griseel Ephraim
Griseel Ephraim, jr.
Gros John Daniel, Rev.
Hallenback John
Hamlen Asa
Hammond Abijah
Harden Thomas
Hardenbergh Abraham
Hardenbergh Abraham, Agt.
Hardin Thomas
Haring Cornelius
Haring Elbert
Harnden John
Harper John
Harper William
Harris James
Harris James, jr.
Harris Joshua
Harris Justus
Harris Moses
Harshold Frederick
Hart Henry
Harvey Joel
Hasbrouck Elias
Hasold Frederick W.
Hatch Matthew
Hatch Samuel
Hathorn John
Henry Joseph
Henry Nathaniel
Hinckley Gershom
Hogeboom Stephen
Hooper Robert Lettis
Hornbeck Benjamin
Houseman George
Humphrey James
Humphry Dudley
Humphrey Evans
Hynpagh Peter
Ingersoll Francis Drake
Ingles George
Jackson Archibald
Johnston Witter
Jones James
Keader Stephen
Kellogg Eliphalet
Kelly John
Kidder Stephen
Kinkead Crownidge
Klock George
Klock Jacob G.
Klump Thomas
Knap Abraham
Knight Caleb
Kortright Lawrence
Kyser Henry
Lansing Abraham G.
Lansing Isaac H.
Lansing John, jr.
Lansing John, jr., Agt
Latta Samuel
Lawrence Jonathan
Lawrence William
Lawyer Johannes
Lee Jonathan
Lewis Morgan, Col.
Lewis Robert
L'Hommedieu Ezra
Logles Asa
Lowry James
Lucy Eleazer
Lush Richard
Lush Stephen
Lush Stephen, Agt.
Mabie Joseph
McBride James
McCallan James
McCallan Robert
McClallen Robert
McCollister Hamilton
McCormick Daniel
McDole John
Machin Thomas, Capt.
McKinstry Charles
McKinstry John
McKnight Charles
McKown James
McMaster David
McMaster David, Agt.
McMaster James
McMaster Robert
McWithy Ephraim
Maley John
Marselis Arent
Martin Moses, Agt.
Marvin Matthew
Michael Frank
Mix Samuel
Moffat Thomas
Moore Pliny
Moore Pliny et al.
Mynderse Barent
Nathan Reace
Necoll Leonard
Newcomb Simon
Newcomb Zachariah
Newell Simeon, Capt.
Newkerck Charles
Newkerck Garrit
Newkirk Gerrit, jr.
Nicholson Thomas, jr., Agt.
Noble Robert
Nukerk Gerritt C.
Odell Elizabeth
Odell George
Oothout Abraham
Oothout Henry
Ostrander John
Ostrom Dirck
Owen Nathaniel
Palmer Thomas
Palmer Thomas, Agt.
Palmer William
Pardy Jesse
Paris Isaac
Paris Isaac, Agt.
Parshall Nathan
Parshall Nathan, Agt.
Patterson Samuel
Pearsee Jonathan, Capt.
Peck John
Perry David
Petry William
Phelps Amaziah
Phillips Moses
Platt Charles
Platt Israel, Capt.
Platt Nathaniel, Capt.
Platt Zephaniah
Platt Zephaniah, Agt.
Potman Adam
Powell Morgan
Powers Abraham
Price John
Quick John

Randall John
Ransom Peleg
Reed Seth, Col.
Reeve Levi
Reeve Simon R., Capt.
Remsen Henry
Richardson Josiah, Lt.
Richardson William
Robinson John
Robison John
Rockefeller Philip
Rockwell Jonathan
Roe James
Roe John
Rogers Elnathan
Rogers Platt
Roosa Aldert, Lt.
Roseboom
Sanders John
Sanford Ezra
Schenectady, Protestant Dutch Church of
Schermerhorn Barnardus (Freeman)
Schoolcraft Johannes
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Smith David
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Smith William
Snyder Johannes
Spencer Israel
Spencer Israel, Agt.
Spraker Conradt
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Staats Barent I.
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Steward John
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Tubbs Ichabod
Tymeson Eldert
Van Anglen John
Van Arnham William
Van Bunschoten Elias, Maj.
Van der Cook Michael
Van der Hyden Garsham
Van der Hyden Jocham
Van Hoegen Justis H.
Van Ingen Dirick
Van Loon
Van Loon Albertus
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Van Ness John
Van Ness Peter
Van Rensselaer Jeremiah
Van Sice Cornelius
Van Sice John
Van Vleet Arie
Van Wagenen Gerrit H.
Vedder Frederick
Veeder Abraham
Veeder Abraham I.
Veeder Simon
Veeder Volkert
Veeder Volkert T.
Vernooy Abraham
Visscher Matthew
Visscher Matthew, Agt.
Visscher Teunis J.
Vosburgh Mark
Vredenburgh William J.
Vrooman Adam B.
Vrooman Hendrick A.
Vrooman Isaac
Vrooman Isaac et al.
Wait David H.
Walker James
Walter Casper
Waterman Asa
Watson John
Watson Matthew
Webster Charles R.
Weever Hamile
Welsh Peter
Wempel Abraham
Wemple John
Wemple John B.
Wethy Ephraim
Weynor Michael
Whitney Cornelius
Whitney John
Willett Marinus, Col.
Williams John, Col.
Wilson Robert
Wisner Henry
Wisner Henry, Agt.
Wisner Henry, 3d.
Witbeck John A.
Wohlgemuth John
Wolgemuth John
Wood William
Woodhull Jesse, Col.
Woodworth Gershom Everts
Woodworth Robert
Woolsey Melancton Lloyd
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Yates Christopher
Yates Peter
Yates Peter W.
Young Henry
Young Peter
Zabrisky John
Zielie Martinis
Zimmer William

THE EXECUTIVE BODIES

THE STATE AGENT

Gen. Undy Hay was appointed State Agent June 24, 1780. The law abolishing the Office was passed Mar. 24, 1783. The other laws relating to this Office and its Accounts were enacted as follows:—June 23, 1780; May 12, 1784; Apr. 22, 1785; March 22, 1788; and April 6, 1795. His salary was £800 per annum. Aside from the duties of the Office as shown by the documents below, the State Agent bought paper for the "New Money", and (by the law of Nov. 22, 1781) paid the salaries of the Governor's Secretary, and the Senators and Assemblymen. For his work in collecting Taxes, see Taxation in the Chapter on "The Treasurer".

By his Excellency George Clinton Esquire Governor of the State of New York General and Commander in Chief of all the Militia and Admiral of the Navy of the same

To Gerard Bancker Esquire Treasurer of the said State. ..... Greeting.

Pay unto Udny Hay Esqr. Agent of this State to procure Supplies on Account and Credit of the Said State, for the Use of the United States in pursuance of the Act entitled "An Act to procure Supplies for the Use of the Army, to prevent a Monopoly of Cattle within this State and more effectually to prevent Supplies of Cattle to the Enemy" The Sum of five thousand Pounds of the new Bills to be emitted in pursuance of the Act of Congress of the eighteenth Day of March last and for so doing this shall be your Warrant.

Given under my Hand and the privy Seal of the said State at Pokeepsie this twentieth Day of July in the fifth Year of our Independence and in the Year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty.

By his Excellency's Command — Geo. Clinton

Robt. Benson Secry.

The Army now Guarding the Frontiers of this State both to the Northward & Westward, being in immediate want of Beef, And a Number of Beef Cattle Expected here from New England being unexpectedly delayed, It is requested that the Friends of America to whom this shall be presented by Mr. Harmanus Wendell To send me immediately what Cattle they can spare, which upon his receipt shall not only be faithfully replaced very soon without loss, but those who shew their inclination to serve their country in this way shall if wanted be supplied with some salt on the most reasonable Terms, which I have great reason to Expect will soon be put under my direction — Udny Hay, State Agent

Albany Septr 21st, 1780

[Mr. Wendell was dismissed as Store-Keeper by Gen. Hay Feb 26/81, and brought in a bill from Aug 1/ 80 to Feb 28/ 81 = 212 days @ 10/— = £106. 0. 0]

By his Excellency George Clinton Esqr. Governor of the State of New York, General and Commander in Chief of all the Militia and Admiral of the Navy of the Same

To Udny Hay Esquire.

Whereas, the Emergency and Ocassion requires the Same, These are therefore, in pursuance of an Act of the Legislature entitled, "An Act authorizing the Person administring the Government of this State, to grant Warrants of Impress, passed the 23 Day of June, 1780, to authorize and impower you to impress (for the Use and Service of the Army) four thousand Barrels of Flour, or an equivalent in Wheat, With a Sufficient number of Casks to contain the Flour, and Teams to transport it to the nearest & most convenient landing place on Hudsons River

By his Excellency's Command

Robt. Benson Sec^{ry}.

Given under my Hand at Pokeepsie in the County of Dutchess this thirteenth Day of December in the year of the Independence of the Said State, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty. Geo. Clinton

This Warrant is not to extend to what Individuals may have for the use and Consumption of their own Families — Geo: Clinton

By virtue of power invested in me by a law of this State I hereby empower Harmanus A. Wendel of Albany to execute the Warrant of which the above is a true Copy

Udny Hay State Agent

Sir:— Poughkeepsie 3d July 1781

Captain DuBois has this moment handed to me your Instructions to him of 25th ult. respecting the settlement of the Accounts for Forage & Provisions &c furnished Horses Oxen and their drivers in his district, upon which I must beg leave to make the two following observations.

1st You make a distinction betwixt the value of what a Soldier eats and what a teamster or fatigue man eats, in the same space of time, though Congress has thought it necessary not to allow as much Provision to the one when he is lying in Camp doing merely the duties of a Soldier as to the other supposed upon constant fatigue. Yet I am afraid it would be extremely difficult to persuade any person furnishing the diet for an equal number of men belonging to each of those classes employed in doing the same duty that he ought to be contented with two thirds of the pay for the one class of what had been tendered and paid him by the same person for the other. As Ulster County has furnished scarce any but fatigue men, and Albany County I believe but soldiers in this way, I am afraid this nice distinction might create a Jealousy between the two Counties that would prove much more hurtfull to this State than any benefit that could possibly arise from the small saving which a pursuance of your plan could possibly produce, and cannot suppose myself Justifiable in consenting that Captain DuBois should comply with your request on this head unless he is to make the payment with public money.

You propose likewise that the provisions paid by Captain DuBois should be credited to the Quota of this State, and the pasturage be charged to the United States. As these are often included in one Certificate I cannot, in the first place, see a possibility of entering them regularly in two accounts. In the second place, I know it is the determination of the Legislature to charge the United States in the same account current in which they credit them with the Quota of Specific Supplies, they may from time to time demand, for every article that passes through my hands.

I hope you will be pleased to alter your Instructions so far as that Captain DuBois may be enabled to comply with them.

I am respectfully, Sir, Your

Colonel Timothy Pickering. most Obed hum^{l} Servt

Udny Hay.

By his Excellency George Clinton Esquire Governor of the State of New York &c
To Gerard Bancker Esquire Treasurer of the Said State.

Pursuant to the Act of the Legislature entitled "An Act to procure Supplies for the use of the Army, and to prevent a monopoly of Cattle within this State and more effectually to prevent Supplies of Cattle to the Enemy" passed the 24th June 1780 You are hereby required out of any Monies which may be in the Treasury & not otherwise appropriated to pay unto Udney Hay Esquire State Agent or his Order the Sum of twenty Thousand Dollars in Bills of the new Emission and for so doing this shall be your Warrant.

Given under my Hand and the Privy Seal of the said State at Poughkeepsie this 25th Day of August 1781.

By his Excellency's Command — Geo. Clinton.

Robt. Benson Secry.

Recd August 31st. 1781 from Gerard Bancker Treasurer Twenty thousand Dollars New Emission pursuant to the above Warrant — Geo. Taylor Junr.

£8000

1781 State of New York to John Hyatt, Dr —

Novr 16 To transporting Public Grain from Rye to Crompond with a 4 Cattle Team 34 Miles as pr Certificate from Col. Udney Hay State Agent at 3/— pr Ton per mile £5 2 0

This Certifies that Colo. Jno. Hyatt has transported from the neighbourhood of Rye to this place, distance about thirty four miles, thirteen Bushels & a half of Indian Corn; for which he is entitled to receive pay from the State Agent.

In behalf of Colo. Udney Hay State Agent Crompond November 16, 1781

George Taylor junr

John Hyatt declares upon oath that he has never received any Pay or Compensation for the within Service.

July 15th 1786 Sworn before me — John Hyatt

Abm P. Lott Ald'm.

I John Lee, junr, do most solemnly swear that in the month of Novr, 1781, a Body of troops went down to Rye from Peekskill to collect forage and Hogs below the lines, that Colo'l Hyatt had a double team, that the said team was full loaded at Rye Neck and brought it to Croten, that after the corn was taken out at Sundry times untill it came to Crompond, that altho by the enclosed certificate it appeared then to have but thirteen and a half bushels in.

Sworn before me at Crompond — John Lee

3d Septr 1784

Joseph Osburn, Justice of peace —

"Poughkeepsie 20th July 1782

Sir, I am favoured with yours of this date, requiring a Copy of my accounts while I acted as D.Qr.Mr.Gen. and enclosing me at same time your instructions from the Legislature on that subject.

If you will employ any person to take a Copie of these accounts as entered in my books, he shall have free access to them at my office for such time as you shall deem necessary for that purpose; or if the Legislature will indemnify me against all claimants on public account till it shall appear on a final settlement that I am indebted to the public, I will deliver up my vouchers for your Examination, at same time must observe to you there are yet many vouchers in the hands of my assistants which I have repeatedly required them to furnish me with, but my requisitions have all proved ineffectual, and probably will do so till they have at least something resembling the shadow of a promise that they will receive some adequate compensation for their services while acting in that station. I shall only add that it is impossible for me to have the least idea what I obtained by voluntary purchase, and what by impresses of any kind, as in tak-

ing receipt for the amount of the services where the Cash was paid, or promissory notes were given, no distinction was ever made, but if it can render you any service you shall be informed of the amount in value of the certificates I issued for which this State became responsible.

You may rely on my doing every thing in my power to facilitate the execution of your important business with despatch, and am,

with much respect, Sir, Your most obedient humble Sert.

Peter T. Curtenius Esqr.

Udny Hay
late D. Qr. Mr. G.

1783 Udney Hay Esquire, late State Agent to James Roosevelt Dr —

Jany 24th	To services of 17 days in taking out an Execution against Coll. Robert Livingston for the sum forfeited by his not delivering this Wheat Tax within the Time by Law Limited — in going to the chief Judge for a Warrant to apprehend the Constable to appear and answer his neglect of duty in not Levying agreeable to Said Execution and reporting to Coll. Hay the Chief Judge's answer, then going to Albany to evidence the delivery of said Execution into the hands of the Constable, then attending the grand Jury for the above purpose @ 50 Dolls pr month..	£11 6 8
	To traveling Expences in said Time of Service for Self & Horse @ 10/— pr Day	8 10 0
		£19.16 8

Received from Col. Udney Hay out of a Draught upon Mess. Peter R. and Robert C. Livingston the above Sum of Nineteen Pounds Sixteen Shillings & Eight pence in Specie in full of the above Amount —

James Roosevelt

£19 16 8

Claverac District March 17th 1784

In 1784, the Auditor-General, Peter T. Curtenius, made the following inquiry; to which answer was made by Philip Schuyler, a Commissioner for Settling the Accounts of the State against the United States:—

I have called on Col Hay for an Account of the Specific Supplies furnish'd by this State to the United States; his answer was, that his Books and Papers were unfortunately consumed by Fire, and therefore it was out of his power to give me any Account, but he inform'd me that he had made regular returns from time to time to the Legislature & to the Financier of the Quantity deliver'd which Returns he was ready to attest to upon oath — Query — Whether the Financier or Commissioner can, or will admit Col Hays Oath, as a Proof of Delivery without a particular Resolve of Congress for that purpose

The Auditor must procure the necessary information from the Financier's Office.

The Auditor-General to the Delegates in the Continental Congress, Dec. 7, 1785.

It will be necessary to get a Resolve passed about the State Agents' Business whose papers are burnt. I have conversed with Colo'l Hay on the business & he tells me that he has from time to time made Returns to the board of War & to the Financier of the Specific Supplies he & his Assistants have delivered to the army which are filed in their Offices & which he can qualify to that they are just & true. He farther says that in the last return he made he fell short about Twelve thousand pounds of the whole quantity demanded of this State, & that he supposed the whole quantity had been delivered. But he had not when the last return was sent been able to collect in from his assistants the Vouchers of delivery for the amount of this last sum.

The following is the account as finally rendered by the State Agent. The Investigating Committees agreed that the conduct of Gen. Hay had been most honorable.

The United States on a/c of Specific Supplies furnished through Udney Hay as State Agent

To the State of New York ..... Dr.		
To the amount of all the Supplies as per Voucher No. 1 made to the Financier...		£161795. 5.11
Deduct the Supplies said to be furnished between the first of December 1779, and the 1st of August 1780, which were not paid for by me, though they may be charged for in another way, agreeably to the Resolution of Congress of 25th February, 1780, and will probably amount to much more than my estimates which was	£48644.18.7	
Deduct likewise that part of the irregular returns, allowed for the disputed forage in Westchester County, as it has since then been paid for to the State where it was taken from confiscated Estates, and to the individual Proprietors where taken otherwise, by the Commissioners of public accounts, and was estimated by me at	£18000. 0.0	£66644.18.7
Remains to be charged to the United States for Supplies furnished and paid for under my direction		£95150. 7.4

Observations —

1st The above sum is exclusive of transportation, expence of purchasing, and every other incidental charge.

2d The whole amount of the irregular return as charged in the general Return No. 1 is £24566.10.0 from which it was deducted — £18000.0.0 for the disputed forage in Westchester County (that being the amount at which it was estimated in the return referred to) the remaining sum of £6566.10.0 I am clear ought to continue a charge against the United States, as the most thereof I have no doubt has been paid for by my assistants since the time the Return was made to the Financier, and they have I am certain been paid for articles not included in that Return, though delivered as a part of the specific supplies to a greater amount than what is unpaid by them of that sum. Under the term "irregular Return" is included all articles of the delivery whereof I was fully convinced in my own mind by Letters from my Assistants, verbal information from them and other Persons, or by other strong circumstantial proofs, but of which I possessed no positively conclusive legal evidence, and in my Information to the Financier I esteemed it my duty to exhibit every Fact which tended to shew that the State I had the Honour to serve was amongst the foremost in her complyance with the Requisitions of Congress in the subject of Specific Supplies.

3d From the Delinquency of some other States in not furnishing their proportion of the specific supplies, officers of the Army on detached commands within this State were frequently obliged to issue their impress warrants at their own risque for beef, flour &c. Most of these impresses were made without my Knowledge or that of any of my Assistants, and some of the vouchers for the Provisions taken under these impresses were so loose and irregular that my assistants, though convinced of the justice of the claims, did not think themselves justifyd in liquidating them. Some of them have since been examined, settled and paid for by the Auditor of this State or by the Commissioner of public accounts, and sundry of them I am well convinced have not been paid for at all. From thence it appears that to the sum of £95150.7.4, as exhibited in the foregoing a/c there ought to be added, as a charge against the United States for specific supplies furnished under my Direction, the amount of such accounts admitted and paid for by the Auditor of this State for articles furnished as part of these supplies for which there was no voucher from me or any of my assistants.

4th It will perhaps be said that the United States ought not to consent to a charge in support whereof, instead of regular vouchers, there is only the bare assertion or affidavit of the

officer by whom the charge is made, and it therefore behooves me to prove, as satisfactorily as the loss of most of my papers will admit, that every possible pains was taken on my part to have all the amounts for specific supplies adjusted with the proper Continental officers a long time previous to the Destruction of my papers by the fire, which consumed my house on the 30th of March, 1783.

It will be proper in the first place to take notice that, from the very nature of the requisition for specific supplies, it must appear intended that they should be delivered in large quantities by the State officer to the Proper Continental officers. The 7th section of the Law passed 24th June 1780 by the Legislature of this State will demonstrate likewise that this was their intention. From the scantiness of the supplies forwarded on by other neighboring States, I, soon after entering upon the duties of my Office, found that by pursuing this plan the Army within this State must positively disband, and having myself as a Continental Officer, for several years immediately preceeding, experienced from the Legislature, in a degree far beyond my warmest expectations, an unlimited zeal for the Honour of the Union and an enthusiastic fervour for the support of the Army; advised likewise to the measure by his Excellency the Governor, and from these and other combining circumstances relying fully on that spirit of accommodation to the necessities of the Union which appeared so conspicuous in all the acts and deliberations of the Legislative and Executive authority of the State, I ventured to deviate from the mode of deposit originally intended and deliver'd the supplies in small quantities as fast as they could be collected, by which mode, instead of one hundred regular and compleat vouchers from the principal public officers, whose receipts must have been esteemed incontestible proofs, I subjected the State to the risque and expence, and myself to the inconvenience of receiving many thousand vouchers from officers in inferior stations, from Boatmen, and some from non commissioned officers of the Army.

Thus circumstanced, determined to prove my attention to the Duties of my station, and anxious and uneasy from an apprehension that the State might be a sufferer if the accounts were not properly speedily settled, I repeatedly apply'd to the Quarter Master and Commissary General, and to their respective deputies within the State, requesting that they would take up the numerous small vouchers of their inferior officers and give me in lieu of them such general vouchers signed by themselves as should upon examination appear equitable and proper.

Nor did my attempt to procure a settlement rest there. I carryd up my request on the same subject to the Legislature of the State, and to the Financier of the United States. In part proof of this I beg leave to refer to the following papers, viz No. 2, Copy of Resolution of the Legislature passed 21st Nov. 1781; No. 3, Copy recd from the Treasury Board of my Letter to the Financier dated 5th April, 1782; and No. 4, Mr Stevens Certificate as Deputy Commissary General of issues dated 4th February 1784. The other Letters of mine to the Financier, with his answers (if they can be found in the Treasury office), and the further testimony which I have not a doubt may be obtained upon this subject from the Quarter Master General and Colonel Hughes the then Quarter Master for this State, will fully justify the assertion that the non-settlement of all the accounts relative to the specific supplies furnished by this State has in no degree been owing to any neglect or other Default of the State, as their officer under whose direction those supplies were immediately placed.

Not being at home when my house was burnt, and all the papers referred to Destroyd therein, for full information respecting that misfortune I beg leave to refer to his Excellency Governor Clinton, and the Honourable Melancton Smith Esqr late a member of Congress, both of whom were present at the time the house was in Flames.

5th From the statement of the foregoing a/c made to the Financier, and from sundry other circumstances, a considerable loss will arise unless an allowance is made by the Commissioners appointed to liquidate the a/cs between this State and the United States —

1st All the beef is charged only at 44/— per 100 Pounds, but the Requisitions of Congress allow 52/— for all furnished in December, and 64/— for all furnished between the 1st of January and 1st of July. Not having rec'd all the vouchers of delivery from my assistants at the time the last return was made to the Financier, and of consequence not being able to Determine with precision the exact periods at which all the beef had been delivered, I stated the

whole at the lowest price, determined to make a statement agreeably to the various prices allowed by Congress when I was possessed of all the necessary vouchers for that purpose. This is not possible to be done now with any tolerable exactness, but I am of opinion that not less than ten thousand Pounds of beef was delivered in the month of December, and not less than thirty thousand Pounds between the 1st of January and 1st of July.

2d The Dispute about the Forage used in Westchester County in 1781 confirms an opinion which the Quarter Master General then entertained that it ought not to be paid for, the Lands from whence it was taken having previous to the march of the Army into that quarter of the State been occasionally in possession of the enemy. By a Resolution of Congress of the 7th of September 1781 that business was settled by arbitration, the minutes whereof is now in possession of the Quarter Master General or some of his Deputies, and from which it will appear that they awarded, as equal to the whole Forage which had been consumed, 1864 tons of Hay and 8233 1/2 Bushells of Oats, the whole of which has been paid for by the Commissioner of public accounts at the current specie price of, I believe, £3 per ton for Hay, and 2/6 per Bushell for Oats. This most undoubtedly ought to have been esteemed as part of the specific supplies and paid for at the stipulated prices allowed for them, for from the time that Forage was used I never included it as part of the Specific supplies in all my Returns. It is true that the aggregate supplies of Forage required was overpaid by the State previous to this, but as Provisions were still due, the Quarter Master General had agreed that upon the delivery of a further quantity of Forage to him, He would give receipts which should answer for an equal value of provisions at the stipulated Prices. Colonel Pickering's Letter to me, No 5, will greatly strengthen this assertion, and if that Gentleman had the whole of my Letters to him, and the Copies of his answers, it would be fully proved. It is clear then that the State lose all the difference, on the amount of the above Hay and Oats, between the specie price allowed by the Commissioners and the Price agreed to be paid for specific supplies. Besides this loss positively proved, it appears by the minutes of the Arbitration above alluded to that the arbitrators were of opinion " that a considerable quantity of Forage had been taken from a number of Farms of which they had not been able to obtain any voucher Evidence ". As no part of this Forage has been paid for at the stipulated price of specific supplies, the loss to the State must have been considerable. If any reasoning upon the proofs exhibited to the arbitrators, as entered on their minutes, was just, and it was not attempted to be contradicted by the adverse Party, nor objected to by the arbitrators themselves as far as I know, instead of 1864 tons of Hay, it was thereby proved that the award should have been for 2994 3/4 tons. I have not a doubt however that those Gentlemen Determined upon the principles of Equity and good Conscience agreeably to their own conceptions thereof.

3d The Requisition of Congress was only for 500 tons of Hay, but the necessaries of the Army calling aloud for more, 1540 1/2 tons were delivered. The cost of transporting this Hay, which was done at the expence of the State, in proportion to the price allowed for the Hay itself, far exceeded the proportion of the expence which would have attended the delivery of any of the other articles of the Requisition, and that Difference was an absolute loss to the State. Besides, the scarcity of that article was so great the season this Hay was furnished, that I have known ten Pounds in real Specie paid pr Ton as it stood in the Farmer's yard; and the price necessarily allowed for purchasing Hay was at least three times as much as was allowed for the purchase of any of the other articles proportioned to their value. This was a further loss to the State.

4th The Delivery of the supplies in small quantities, exclusive of the loss arising from waste, more than would have accrued had they been deposited and delivered in the way which I am certain most, and perhaps all, of the other States did, occasioned a great extra expense to this State; for, to accommodate the pressing wants of the Army, I found myself under the necessity of keeping one Express Rider on constant pay, and having sundry occasional ones, to carry Letters to and from the various commanding officers, to obtain warrants from the Magistrates for the impress of Teams to transport the supplies, and to keep up the necessary Correspondence with my assistants. My own travelling expences bore by the State was likewise greatly increased.

The Losses reached above, agreeably to my own opinion thereof, are as follows:—

1st Loss on Beef

10,000 lbs of beef Delivered in December at 8/— on each 100 Pounds is	£ 40. 0.0	
30,000 Do Delivered between 1st of Jan'y & 1st of July at 20/— on each 100 lbs is	300. 0.0	£ 340. 0.0

2d Loss on Westchester Forage

1,864 Tons of Hay paid for at £3 ought to be at £6 Difference	£5592. 0.0	
8,233 1/2 Bush. of Oats paid for at 2/5, ought to be at 4/—. Do...	617.10.3	6209.10.3

what further loss arose from payments made by the Commissioner for the Forage mentioned in the minutes of the Arbitration of which the Arbitrators had no evidence, I can have no just idea of because I am entirely ignorant of the quantity.

3d Loss on the Extra quantity of Hay

Considering the great scarcity of Hay that year, it is certainly a moderate compensation (taking into view the extra expence of transporting that article) to allow that it was offered at 40/— less per Ton than what was its real value, proportioned to the price allowed for the other articles of the Requisition. The extra quantity was 1040 1/2 Tons at 40/— £2081. 0.0

4th Loss on the Delivery in small quantities

It is difficult to determine this with any degree of precision, but I am fully convinced in my own mind that, had we adopted the regular, deliberate mode pursued by most of the other States, there would have been a saving in expences and waste on the amount in value of at least, 4, perhaps, 5, per Cent, say however ..... £ 3369. 9.9

Sum of the Losses on the above 4 Transactions ..... £ 12000. 0.0

Personally appeared Udney Hay and made Oath that the foregoing statement of facts, Circumstances and Computation are made agreeably to the best of his Knowledge and Belief, upon the Principles of Equity and good Conscience, and without any intention of defrauding the United States, this State or any Individual.

Sworn this 16th Day of June 1788 before me
Jeremi'h Wool Ald'm.

Udny Hay
late State Agent

The Assistant State Agents

The following were Assistant State Agents, without being assigned, apparently, to any particular part of the State:—Francis Chandonet, Henry Clapp, Egbert Dumond, Jellis Fonda, William Keese, John Sickles, George Taylor, Jonathan G. Tompkins, George Trimble and Jellis Winne.

The following were the Assistant State Agents by Counties:—Albany, John James Bleecker, Leonard Bronck, John W. Groesbeck, Philip Lansing, Richard Lush, Harmanus Schuyler, Joseph Shurtliff, Isaac Stoutenburgh, Dirck Swart, Peter Van Ness, Benjamin Van Orden and Henry I. Van Rensselaer; Dutchess, Sampson Benson, Cornelius Bradford, Judah Burton, Benjamin Lightborn, Melancton Smith, David Van Ness and Hendrick Wyckoff; Orange, John Stagg, Daniel Tier, Joseph Wood and Ebenezer Woodhull; Tryon, Anthony Van Veghten and Christopher P. Yates; Ulster, Matthew DuBois, James Monell and Dirck Wynkoop; Westchester, William Brown, John Fish, John Haynes and Samuel Townsend.

The Assistant State Agents received from 12/— to 20/— per day. They attended to the details of the work, their Accounts including Cattle, Wheat, Flour, Potatoes, Turnips, Spirits, Hay, Buckwheat, Corn, Rye, Oats &c.

Poughkeepsie 4th July 1781

Sir;

In consequence of your appointment as my assistant in Westchester County for the particular purpose of disposing to the French Army of any supplies they may want within that County, which come under my Direction by the Enclosed Act of the Legislature;

You will please pay particular Attention to the following Directions:—

You will, as soon as you can, after the receipt of this, proceed to Westchester County, produce the law and Appointment to the Commissioners of Sequestration for that County and request of them to give you lists of all the Sequestered or Confiscated Farms, making such farther enquiries as will best Tend to give you a thorough Knowledge of them. You will then apply to the Commander-in-chief of the French Army, delivering him the Letter you receive herewith, and Know from him whose Certificates you may with Safety receive, or what Officer you should apply to for obtaining the necessary information on that Subject.

The Value of the Pasture on these Farms must be appraised by two Persons indifferently chosen by you and the French Officers authorized to obtain them, letting them two when chosen appoint a third Person, if necessary, all of whom Should be upon Oath, when it can conveniently be done. As it will happen in Some Cases that Fields will be made use of for Pasture before they can be appraised, let the best possible proof of the Value be obtained and the appraisement made afterwards.

As I suppose, in some places, large Quantities of Hay may be cut, endeavor to employ Persons for that purpose, and dispose of the Hay, if wanted, at the Current Price, agreeable to its Quantity in that part of the County. Upon application to his Excellency General Washington, some men may probably be furnished for that purpose.

Agree always for cutting by the Ton, rather than by the Day, and if any men are obtained from the Army, endeavor to get volunteers. You well know Men draughted for such a purpose, contrary to their own inclination, are very unserviceable.

If, as I suppose will be the Case, large Quantities of Standing Grain should fall under your Direction, endeavor to get the same cut, when ripe, and have Floors on the Field for Threshing it immediately, which done, dispose of both the Grain and the Straw at Current Prices.

If any Cattle fall into your Hands not sufficiently Fat for the Knife, have them Branded N. Y. S. A. and send them to places of Safety where they can be pastured. Those fit for being immediately Killed, dispose of agreeable to the Instructions already given respecting the other property that may fall under your Direction.

You will be particularly careful, when it can be done, to Keep a regular Account of the Quantity & Value of each Article sold from each Farm, separately, mentioning the last Possesors name, and if Tenanted Land the Proprietors Name likewise.

Where you do not receive Cash in Payment of what you sell let the Certificates you receive in lieu thereof recite; I acknowledge to be Indebted to the State Agent of New York, or his Order, ... Pounds .... Shillings Pence, being for .... Acres of Meadow Land used for Pasture, Tons of Hay Bushels of Corn Bushels of Oats &c &c, as the Case may be, received for the use of the Army of his Most Christian Majesty, from the Lands in Westchester County, placed by Law under the said Agents Direction, which I am to pay at Days. Date July 1781. meadow for Pasture, £ ; Tons of Hay ; Bushels of Corn ; Do of Oats; Total

In a Business of this Nature so many Circumstances will arise which cannot possibly be foreseen, that in all Cases, where you have not particular Directions I must request you to be guided entirely by your own judgment, taking the advice, where it can be conveniently done, of such Gentlemen, living in that County, whose Characters as Whigs & Men of Honor are indisputable.

I wish you to write me by every opportunity, acquainting me particularly with your procedure and any difficulties that may arise. I shall probably be with you in that Country in Ten Days at Farthest.

It will be necessary for you immediately to employ a good Clerk, if one acquainted with that Country can be got so much the better. It is not possible for me to form an Idea at present what farther Assistants you may want, as it depends upon contingencies impossible to be foreseen. Your own Knowledge of the Nature of the Business you are now going to enter on will enable you to make Choice of proper Persons, and let me beg they may be as few as possible as it has ever been my opinion that few Officers and them well paid are always the cheapest & most serviceable. I cannot with propriety at present fix either your or their pay; but you may depend upon its being reasonable, agreeable to the Services you & they perform. Capt William Brown and Mr. Haynes are employed in the same way for the American Army as you are for the French Army. Let me beg you will Keep up a thorough good understanding with them, as you may be mutually serviceable to each other.

I must request too you will in a particular manner endeavor to render every Service in your Power to the Refugees who have been obliged to quit their Farms by assisting them to obtain a Settlement of their Accounts for any [word missing] the Army may have used belonging to them. They [word missing] deserve every attention in our power to pay.

Major Chandonet.

I am, Sir,

Your most obedient Servt

Udny Hay.

THE COMMITTEE FOR CONSPIRACIES

The full title of this body was "The Committee of the Convention of the State of New York for Enquiring into, Defeating and Detecting all Conspiracies that may be formed in said State". It was appointed early in 1776. Those who served upon it, whether by original or later appointment, were the following:— Chairmen, Egbert Benson, William Duer and Leonard Gansevoort; Secretaries, John D. Crimsher, Abraham W. DePeyster, Richard Hatfield, Richard King, Henry Rockwell and Teunis Tappen; Auditor and Treasurer, Nathaniel Sackett; Clerk, Teunis Tappen; Doorkeepers, Jacob Kidney and Richard Warner; Members, (other than the above) John Berrien, Peter Cantine, jr., Charles DeWitt, Lewis Graham, John Jay, Lewis Morris, Zephaniah Platt, Melancton Smith, Joseph Strang, Jacobus Swartwout and Van Cortlandt.

On Mar. 10, June 14 and July 6, the Committee took many Arms from Tories, Disaffected and Non-Associates, in New York City. From September to December, 1776, the Committee ordered "Victuals" and handcuffs for the Tories, the bills showing that it cost two shillings either to put hand-cuffs on or to take them off. Capt. Joshua Myrick, Sept. 16, was paid $148 for the Pay and Subsistence of his Company. A bill was paid, Oct. 30, for apprehending Suspects. The Committee, Oct. 31, appointed Samuel Smith Commissary to a Detachment of Col. Robert Van Rensselaer's Regiment, ordered to guard the Prisoners to New Hampshire; and Matthew DuBois was appointed Commissary in place of Smith for that part of the Regiment that was left in Charlotte County. On Nov. 9, Lieut. Bezaleel Rudd was ordered, with his Detachment, to join the Command of Capt. Robinson for escorting the Prisoners from Fishkill to New Hampshire; and he was required to report to the Committee on his return.

The Committee, Feb. 28, 1777, resolved to do justice to the owners of 15 horses, wrongfully seized; and Mar. 2, resolved to restore to Hanson Palmer money wrongfully taken. The Accounts of the Committee, down to March, 1777, footed £3066.5.0 for sales of effects taken from the Disaffected. William Clark sent in a bill of £9.9.3 for secret services, which was paid the next year.

Hugh Conner presented to the Committee a bill dated Sept. 22, 1776, for £48.11.0 for entertaining the Committee. This was paid March 17, 1777; but not without a protest on the part of Nathaniel Sackett, the Auditor of the Committee, in which he was of opinion that the £4.17.6 charged for wine "ought to be paid for by the individual Gentlemen who from time to time have composed this Committee, vizt. Messrs Duer, DeWitt, Gansevoort, Jay, Platt, Sackett, Cortlandt, L. Morris & Graham, each their proportion; yet, as the wine was called for upon the Credit of the Committee, and as at the Time of settling this Accot all the Members had left the place, except Messrs. Jay, Sackett & Platt (who offered to pay their proportions) and the said sum being inconsiderable in itself, I have therefore taken no notice of it, or deducted it from this acct."

THE COMMISSIONERS OF CONSPIRACIES

There is much confusion, in the documents, as to the time when the Committee for Conspiracies ended its duties and the Commissioners of Conspiracies began their work. This arose from the Committeemen sometimes calling themselves Commissioners; and vice versa. An Account of the Committee, commencing Sept. 28, 1776, and ending Jan. 11, 1777, is certified as a true copy from the Minutes of the Commissioners, and signed by Teunis Tappen as Clerk to the Commissioners. Another Account "of Sales of Effects taken from Persons who have fled to or joined the Enemy" runs from February to March 1777, and is made out by the Committee. Other Accounts, dated Apr. 12, Apr. 29 and May 16, recite "The late Committee of the Convention and the present Board of Commissioners." The Convention, Apr. 5, 1777, voted £1000 to the Commissioners; and, on Nov. 4, 1777, the Council of Safety ordered £400 refunded to them.

The Commissioners included, among their number, some of the members of the Committee; and the following who were not on the Committee:— Robert Harpur, Abraham Hasbrouck, Gilbert Livingston, Cornelius Schoonmaker, Jonathan G. Tompkins and Henry Williams. It is probable that even the Commissioners should still have been called the Committee, as late as Feb. 5, 1778, when the Governor was authorized to appoint not to exceed ten Commissioners; the number being increased to 20, Apr. 4, 1778.

Other laws, relating to the Commissioners of Conspiracies, were passed as follows:— June 30, 1778, the Commissioners were authorized to require all Suspects to take the Oath of Allegiance; Oct. 29, 1778, the powers of the Commissioners were continued; Feb. 17, 1779, a similar law; Oct. 1, 1779, the powers of the Commissioners, which had lapsed, were revived, and the Council of Appointment was authorized to appoint the Commissioners; June 14, 1780, the law relating to the appointment was revived; July 1, 1780, "for the removal of the families of persons who have joined the Enemy", but the Commissioners were authorized to give permits to remain; Mar. 27, 1783, the acts relating to the Commissioners were repealed.

From the date of these laws, it is evident that a great part of the work of the Commissioners was done in their capacity as a Committee of the Convention, or under the Governor's Order of Apr. 4, 1777, and before any Legislative enactment. They carried on the work along the lines laid out by the original Committee. They bought Muskets for the Soldiers; and apprehended Tories and Suspected Persons. They provided Food for the Guards and the Prisoners; also, Medicines for the latter. Together with the Commissioners for the several Counties (see below) they had general charge of all persons who were suspected or apprehended (see "Tories" &c., "British Prisoners of War" and "County Committees").

The Commissioners of Conspiracies for the several Counties consisted, in some cases, of

others beside those appointed by the Order of the Governor, Apr. 4, 1778. They attended to details which it was impossible for the State Commissioners to handle; and they were paid 20/— per day

In Albany County, the Commissioners were:— John M. Beekman, Stewart Dean, Isaac D. Fonda, Leonard Gansevoort, jr. (Secretary), Cornelius Humfrey, John McClung, Hugh Mitchel, Reynier Mynderse, Abraham Oothout, Samuel Stringer, Jeremiah Van Rensselaer, Matthew Visscher and Peter Wynkoop, jr. Their Accounts began in 1778, and ended in 1782. They took charge of the Tories who were arrested for making a disturbance in Livingston Manor; confined some of the Prisoners in the "Tory Goal" in the Fort, at Albany; and sent other Prisoners to Fort Edward and to Claverack.

In Dutchess County the Commissioners had charge of the several Goals for the confinement of Prisoners. They also paid several Accounts of the Committees of Pawling and Poughkeepsie Precincts for apprehending Tories, the Suspected and the Disaffected; and they transported several Tory families to New York City (see "Dutchess County Committee"). The Commissioners were:— Egbert Benson, Gilbert Livingston, Zephaniah Platt and Israel Thompson. On Aug. 2, 1779, they paid £76.8.0 to Lieut. Stephen Hendrickson "For the service of himself and 13 privates for Monies actually expended, and provisions by themselves furnished, in Apprehending and Conveying to Poughkeepsie Goal, 7 Prisoners on Suspicion of harbouring Concealing and aiding the Robbers and other persons who carried off to the Enemy Lieut. John Smith and three other persons."

Gilbert Cooper, Thomas Moffat and Henry Wisner were the Commissioners in Orange County. Tryon County had these Commissioners:— Soverinas Cock, James McMaster and William Wills. The Commissioners for Ulster County were: Peter Cantine, Joseph Gasherie, Cornelius C. Schoonmaker and Cornelius E. Wynkoop. Richard Hatfield, Israel Honeywell, jr., Philip Leek, John J. Myers (Secretary), Philip Pell, jr., Ebenezer Purdy, Nathan Rockwell, Joseph Strang, and Jonathan G. Tompkins were the Commissioners for Westchester County.

The Disaffected, Suspected and Tories

The Committee of the Provincial Congress to Apprehend Tories consisted of Lewis Graham, John Sloss Hobart and Henry Remsen. A law was passed, early in the War, for the removal of the Families of Persons who had joined the Enemy. This provided that, because of the information given to the Enemy by the wives of those who had fled, the Justices of the Peace, or in their absence the Supervisors, or in the absence of both Justices and Supervisors, the Commissioners of Conspiracies, should give notice to the said wives to depart this State, or to go to the Enemy's Lines within this State, within 20 days, with their children not above 12 years of age. Failing to depart, they should be treated as Enemies of the State. Permission to remain might be given (by the above named Authorities) to parties of good character and not dangerous to the State of New York or to the United States.

The Committee of Westchester County, Jan. 4, 1776, seized 106 Guns from the Tories. On Mar. 10, the Committee for Conspiracies took many Arms from the Disaffected in New York City — among them four Swords from Samuel Bayard, and five Guns from William Bayard. The Committee made another collection, July 6. On the 18th of that month, Capt. Thomas Mitchell, with his men, apprehended a man and brought him before the Convention, by order of the Committee of three, named above.

Tories were transported Eastward from Red Hook, Dutchess County, Sept. 1, 1776. On Oct. 11, 1776, Capt. Jonathan Tuthill and his Guards escorted 30 Tories from New Windsor Ulster County, to Philadelphia, by Order of the Convention, at a cost of £80. Tories were confined in the Goshen Goal, Orange County, by order of the County Committee, and the expense was paid by the State. The Committee of Ulster County, in 1776, paid several bills for apprehending Tories, among the bills being those of Capt. Thomas Machin. In 1777, the Committee of Orange Sounty ordered Serjt. Nehemiah Clark to do similar work, and he was paid £17.12.0 for his services, Apr. 8, 1778. On June 17, 1778, the State paid £95.3.6 to refund the Committee of Marbletown, Ulster County, for removing Tory families from New Windsor on Dec. 16, 1777.

The Committee of Safety, Feb. 22, 1777, appointed John Thomas, jr., Col. Samuel Drake, Stephen Ward, William Miller, Nathaniel Hyatt, jr. and Israel Honeywell Commissioners to seize and sell the property of persons, in Westchester County, who had gone over to the Enemy; and on May 13, the Provincial Congress appointed Jonathan G. Tompkins, Richard Hatfield and Philip Pell, jr., Commissioners to settle the Accounts of the first named Commissioners. The Convention, Apr. 3, 1777, order the apprehension of certain Disaffected Persons, and Brig. Gen. George Clinton issued several Orders to Officers to carry out the Resolution of the Convention.

Numerous debts owing to parties who had been imprisoned, or who had gone over to the Enemy, were paid to the State Treasurer. In 1781 and 1782, Col. Marinus Willett sold, or converted to the use of the State, considerable property on the frontiers belonging to inhabitants who had been removed "on account of their Attachments to the Enemy". Col. Willett also took Provisions from such inhabitants, and delivered them to James Pratt. A strict accounting was made by Col. Willett, under the law of Apr. 22, 1785.

These names appear in the documents:—

TORIES

Brown Abiel	Mallows David H.	Richardson John	Towers Joseph
Mabbett Samuel			

SUSPECTED PERSONS

Ackerly Obadiah	Barr Jacob	Bondt Matthyse	Bush Hendrick
Ackerly William	Bartley Josiah	Brewer Abraham	Bush Jacob
Allen John	Barton Roger	Brinckerhoff Abraham	Bush Jacobus
Anderson John	Bartow William	Brown Enos	Bush Jacobus, jr.
Anderson Thomas	Baxter Stephen	Brown Park	Bush Wilhelmus
Anghron Neal	Bay John	Brown William	Butler William
Attwood Nathaniel	Beardsley John, Rev.	Brush Joshua	Campbell Alexander
Banker Bethuel	Beeker Peter	Bullis Thomas	Canniff Joseph
Banker Jacobus	Bender Frederick	Bullus Robert, jr.	Carbey
Banker John	Besemer Jacobus	Burnet Matthew	Carman Thomas
Barker (Squire)	Blancher Job	Burnhart George	Cheeseman Samuel

Citnam John
Citternon John
Clark William
Coe Daniel
Colden Cadwallader, jr.
Combs Thomas
Commens John
Cook Matthew
Cooke John
Covill Simon
Craft John
Crawford Daniel
Crispell Hendrick
Cronk John
Cronkheyd Frederick
Cummins Thomas
Curson
Dairs Hezekiah
Dan Ezra
Davis John
Dean Nicholas
Derby James
Des Brosses Elias
Des Brosses Elizabeth
Des Brosses Magdalen
De Witt Petrus
Dinnist Hugh
Dods John
Doty Abraham
Doughty Charles
Down Thomas
Ducalon Stephen
Dumond Petrus
Dyer Henry
Ealigh William
Eliot David
Ferris William
Finch Reuben
Flint Asa
Fowler Michael
Fowler Stephen
French Benjamin
Frompair John, jr.
Furler Cornelius
Gardner Silas
Gee John
Germond Peter
Gibson Andrew
Gillet Richard
Gold Walter
Gordon James
Hagaman Isaac, Capt.
Hains Joseph
Hains Samuel
Halenbeck Jacob
Hallenbush Robert
Halstead John
Handerson James
Haring Samuel
Harris
Harris William
Hawley
Hawley John
Hire Walter
Hodges Timothy
Hogel Francis
Hooghtaling William
Huff William
Hughs George
Hughson Nathaniel
Hughson Silvanus
Jero Benjamin
Johnson (Lady)
Johnson Abraham
Jonson Rulf
Keese John
Kelly James
Kent John
Keyser Andrew
Kip Benjamin
Kise Jediah
Kisselbrack Jacob
Knapp (Mrs.)
Knowles James
Kuk Johannes
Lamson John
Lazell Joshua
Lester Cornelius
Leveson Andrew
Lewis Benjamin
Livingston, Maj.
Lobdell John
Lockwood Jesse
Lodowick Gasprus
Lonyon Jacobus
Losee John
Lott Abraham
Lounsberry Epenetus
Lounsberry Phinehas
Low Simon
Lowlee Abraham
McDonald Lewis
McFarling John
McGinnis William
McHenry Arthur
McMurry Jeremiah
Maddagh Jacob
Matthews Fletcher
Medeagh Jacob
Merkle Henry
Merrikle Wilhelmus
Merrikle Wilhelmus, jr.
Mesick Peter
Mesier Hezekiah
Mesier Peter
Middagh Abraham
Middagh George
Miller John
Mills Nathaniel
Minthorn Mangel
Morehouse Elijah
Mott Joseph
Munro John
Myer Hans
Mysenas Conradt
Needham Mary
Neilson Bloomer
Noe Lemountis
O'Bryan James
Ogden Benjamin
Ogden William
Ore William
Orr William
Osborn John
Ostrom Jacob
Palmer Harrison
Palmetier, Capt.
Penman Alexander
Philip Nicholas
Pict William
Platt Benoni, Capt.
Poor William
Powell Caleb
Powell Elisha
Prosser, Dr.
Quickley James
Quimby Levy
Randol John
Rapalje John
Redmond Michael
Reed William
Rhinelander Fredrick
Rosa Gysbert
Rosa Jacobus
Rose John
Rose Lodowick
Ruyter John
Rypenbergh Johannis
Sax John
Scofield Seth
Seaman Richard
Seamens
Secord Isaac
Seimonds
Selverman Jacob
Sharps William
Shaw Albertson
Shaw William
Shear Johannis
Sherer Lewis
Shower William
Showerman Johannes
Showerman Peter
Sillick Frederick
Simmons Charles
Sisson Peleg
Slack William
Slouter Wouter
Smith Benjamin
Smith Claudius
Smith Edward
Smith James
Smith Matthias
Smith Peter
Snedeker Richard
Snoeck Hans
Snyder John
Speaight, Dr.
Stanton George
Staples John
Steikle Nicholas
Storm
Story Zachariah
Sybolt John
Taylor Neal
Teed William
Templer Christopher
Ten Eyck Thomas
Thompson Edward
Thurman John
Tidd William
Tidd William, jr.
Titus William
Tounsend James
Tremper John
Trip Robert
Turner John
Turner Joseph
Underhill Abraham
Utley Any
Utter Isaac
Vail Isaac
Valentine
Van Buren Marte
Van Cortlandt Augustus
Van den Bergh Henry
Van der Mark Sylvester
Van Dyke Henry
Van Dyke Stephen
Van Hoesen Jacob
Van Hoesen John Lenderts
Van Hoesen Justice
Van Horne Augustus
Van Horne David
Van Husen Dirck
Van Kleek Barent A.
Van Oart Abraham
Van Schaick Henry
Van Vleet Daniel
Van Vleet John
Van Zilen Johannis
Verplanck Guilliam
Vosburgh Dirck
Vosburgh Peter
Walker John
Wanamaker Dirick

Warren Francis
Watson Jacob
West Benjamin
Westbrook Capt.
Westbrook Young
White Charles
White David
Wilkinson Thomas
Wood John
Wood William
Worden Shubal
Wright Jonathan
Yager Hendrick
Zee John

In the above lists, it will be noted that many of the names appear, also, among the "British Prisoners of War". In several cases, a more full investigation proved the innocence of the alleged offender; so that the appearance of a name in the above lists, or among the Prisoners, is not always a badge of dishonor, as viewed from the American standpoint.

Disturbances in the Counties of Albany and Dutchess

The largest of the "Disturbances by the Enemies of America" was in Dutchess County and in the Manor of Livingston, Albany County. It began in July, 1776. Matthew Cantine and Zephaniah Platt were appointed, by the Convention, a "Committee to Quell the Tories" in those parts; and, on Dec. 26, 1777, the Treasurer of the Provincial Congress received a balance of £53.2.4 from them. The Disturbers of the Peace were brought to Albany. The Committees of the Precincts of Pawling and Poughkeepsie paid several Claims for apprehending Disaffected Persons, and they were afterward reimbursed by the Commissioners of Conspiracies. The Committee of Dutchess County, July 8, 1776, paid £8.1.4. to Capt. Brinton Paine for disarming Tories on Feb. 4, 1776; and, also, £7.13.6 for "going after Tories in the Last Insurrection". (See "Dutchess County Committee").

British Prisoners of War

Abraham B. Bancker, Abraham De Peyster, Henry Dodge, Harmanus J. Knickerbacker, Philip Pell, jr. and Ezekiel Williams were Commissaries of Prisoners. Abraham Brasher, John Broome and Robert Van Rensselaer were a Committee to Superintend Prisoners. Peter Cantine, Melancton Smith and Jeremiah Van Rensselaer were Commissioners to Superintend the return of Prisoners from Connecticut; and Abraham De Peyster was Commissary for Prisoners out of that State. Thomas Odiorne was Agent for New York Prisoners in New Hampshire. Cornelius C. Elmendorph was Commissary of the Fleet Prison. Zephaniah Platt, James Tallmadge, Jonathan G. Tompkins and Robert Wood were the Committee for the Goal at Amenia. Philip Cooper, Ephraim Curtis, Eliphalet Daniels, Charles Gyles, Barzilla Hudson, Daniel Mapes, Joseph Stacey, Benjamin Tusten and Robert Wood were Goal Keepers.

The Prisoners in the list at the end of this Chapter were, for the most part, the Disaffected or Suspected Persons and Tories. Very few of them belonged to the British Army. Early in the War, the Committee of Safety and the County Committees had charge of them; but, later, the Commissioners of Conspiracies took full charge, with the aid of the County Committees.

The first Prisoners were taken at Ticonderoga. The Albany County Committee, June 23, 1775, paid 6/— to Bastian Visscher for Beer for Prisoners brought from that place. There are no other records of Prisoners brought to that County. The Committee for Conspiracies (the predeces-

sor of the Commissioners), Oct. 6, 1776, paid a bill of James Cooper for the board of five Prisoners from Quebec; and Joseph Wood was paid £20 for supporting Canadian Prisoners, who were probably taken at Montreal. The Council of Safety, Aug. 14, 1777, paid $300 to Abraham B. Bancker, Commissary of Prisoners; and Henry Dodge, also Commissary, was paid $30 per month, in 1781.

The Counties of Dutchess, Orange, Ulster and Westchester had the care of nearly all of the British Prisoners. In Dutchess County, a Goal was built at Amenia by Zephaniah Platt and Jonathan G. Tompkins, for about £560. The Commissioners of Conspiracies had charge of it, and bills were made out to them. They also paid bills to the Committee of Westchester County for bringing Prisoners to the Poughkeepsie Goal, when Westchester County became unsafe for their confinement. Thirty-two Prisoners were thus transferred by Capt. Micah Townsend, Oct. 22, 1776, on account of the British being in possession of New York City. There is a bill of £7. 12. 6 by Capt. Henry Tourneur, Apr. 20, 1777, "for Serching for Apprehending Committing to prison and from thence Conveying to Peekskill Under Guard a Certain Jacob Barr, Peter Beeker and John Bay who appeared to be Spies from the British Army"

The evidence of the documents is that very few Prisoners were confined in Westchester County, except during the first year of the War. After that, the locality was too near the Enemy; but the Goals at Bedford and White Plains were used as long as they were safe places of confinement. On Sept. 18, 1778, the Committee of the County paid £10. 8. 0. to Lodowick Light for taking Prisoners from White Plains to the Goal at Kingston.

The Western bank of the Hudson River afforded better security. In Orange County, the chief Goal was the one at Goshen. This was in charge of the Committee of that Precinct; and bills were made out directly to the State, by order of the Committee of Orange County; although the Commissioners of Conspiracies had the full responsibility. Prisoners were sent from New York to the Goshen Goal until the very moment of the occupation of that City by the Enemy, in 1776. The County Committee, Sept. 20, 1777, paid a bill of Lieut. Resolvent Van Houten, £1. 16. 0, for bringing Prisoners to Gen. Putnam; also, Mar. 6, 1778, a bill of £18. 2. 6 to Ebenezer Wood Goal-Keeper, for Provisions for the Prisoners.

Prisoners were also taken at sea:—

New York 29th June 1776

Sir, The Provincial Congress having appointed us a Committee to superintend the Prisoners, we beg leave to inform you that by this conveyance we send to your care the following Prisoners taken on Board a Transport from Scotland bound to Boston, vizt (See list below).

We desire that you will appoint some discreet Person or Persons to superintend those Prisoners and that they be furnished with provisions, not exceeding the rations allowed to privates in the armies of the Continent. By the resolutions of Continental Congress, Women and Children belonging to Prisoners are to be furnished with subsistance, and supplied with fireing and other things absolutely necessary for their support. Prisoners are likewise permitted to exercise their Trades and labour in order to support themselves and Families. We doubt not you will be able to get these Persons so distributed in Goshen, and its vicinage, as to make their situation easy for them, and the expence as moderate as possible to the Public, and as they are Prisoners you will cause a strict attention to be paid to their Conduct. It is possible individuals will be disposed to take the young lads, during the time they are prisoners, & support them for their service. You will be pleased to transmit your acct

to the Congress of this Colony, charging the Continental Congress for their support, and inform us in what manner the Prisoners are disposed of. We doubt not they will be treated with humanity.

We are, Sir, your most Hbl servts

Jno Broome
Ab. Brasher
Robt Van Rensselaer

To the Chairman of
the Committee of Goshen,
Orange County.

A List of the Names of the Prisoners of War Delivered to the Care of the Chairman of the Committee of the Precinct of Goshen with the account of the Charges from their arrival the Eighth of July to the 26th Novr 1776 —

Persons Names	Rank	When became chargeable	The amount at 10½ per Day
John McMallin's wife		July the 8	£ 6. 2. 6
John McMallin	Private	September ye 30	2.10. 8 1/2
Donel McDonel	Ditto	Sepr the 30	2.10. 8 1/2
John Gillis	Ditto	Sepr the 30	2.10. 8 1/2
Gillis McGillis	Ditto	Sepr the 30	2.10. 8 1/2
John McClean)	(Boys between		
Donel McEntire)	8 and 12 yr old.)	October the 9	2. 0. 6
Neal McCloud)			
x James West	Saler	Received 21 Rations	0.18. 4 1/2
x Peter	Ditto		
x Doctr Speaght his wife and one child	Disaffected person.	Received 10 Days provision	1. 6. 3
		My commissions	1. 0. 0

Sir — Be pleased to Send the money by Colo. Allison and you will oblige —

Your Hum Servant
Benj Tusten

x West, Peter and Speaght not in the part from New York.

Benjamin Tusten also sent in this bill:—

1776	The American States.....Dr —		
Octobr 20	A Vomit for John McClean a Scotch prisoner		£ 0. 1. 3
	16 Febrifuge Powders	ditto	0. 8. 0
Novr 21	A Vomit	ditto	0. 1. 3
	16 Febrifuge powders repd	ditto	0. 8. 0
			£ 0.18. 6

William Holly also sent in a bill of £35.19.4 for boarding the Scotch prisoners from Mar. 26 to Aug. 7, 1777; £1 for paying Dr. Thomas Wickham; and £1.5. for Dr. John Gale for medicines and attendance. The Auditor-General made this comment upon Mr. Holly's bill:—

Wm Hollys Claim for furnishing Prisoners with provisions & the men who guarded the prisoners, not supported by any Vouchers, therefore cannot be admitted as it now stands. He has also a claim for the rent of a House occupied for the use of the U. S., as appears by Corns Cregier's Certificate who was an offr of the Cloathing department under the United States. The last a claim agt the U. S.

Ulster, more than any other County, took charge of the British Prisoners of War. In 1776, the County Committee paid several items for keeping and guarding the Prisoners in the County Goal; also, a bill for £12. 1. 7 1/2 by Egbert Roosa, and one for £9.11.6 by William Eltinge — both for repairing the Goal. The Committee of Safety, Feb. 1, 1777, gave the control of the

Prisoners in Kingston Goal to the Committee of Kingston, the bills to be paid by the State. After the dissolution of the Committee of Safety, the Council of Safety took charge of the Goal. On May 27, 1777, the Council ordered a bill of £8. 4. 4. to be paid to Cornelius Hogeboom for bringing four Prisoners from Claverack to Kingston. Prisoners were also brought from Westchester County.

The Fleet Prison

The Council of Safety also took charge of the most interesting of the Prisons, that on board of Ships anchored off Esopus (Kingston) known as "The Fleet Prison". On May 27, 1777, the Council appropriated £120 to the use of Gilbert Livingston and Maj. Jacobus Van Zandt or either of them, "a Committee appointed by the recent Convention to provide Vessels for the Disaffected Apprehended in Rhinebeck and Livingston Manor". One of the Ships was the "Camden", afterward destroyed by the Enemy (See "Privateers"). Several Ships were built, in May and June, 1777; and Mr. Livingston's Accounts mention "32 trees cut on Mr. Gasbeck's Land a 2/— £3.12.0". Others of the Ships were seized. The comments on the two following Claims are by the Auditor-General:—

Claim of Joseph Towers & David H. Mallows Two Inveterate Enemies of their Country claim payment for a Brigantine taken by order of the Convention for a Prison Ship & burnt by the British in the year 1777. If the Attor'y Gen'l is of Opinion that they recover from Gilbert Livingston I think it is best that the state should pay them, but not their whole demand. The Sails, anchor & cable which were taken by the Quarter Master Gen'l & Mr Bedlow & the Money paid to the Captain for his wages ought to be deducted.

Wages pd by the Treasurer amo'tg to, as per Spranger's acct & Rect	£ 94.18. 9
Anchor & Cable he recd pay for from the U. S.	53. 7. 3
Sails.&c D.D. the Q. M. Gen'l	193. 2 4
	£341. 8. 4

N.B. It appears by a Resolution of the 18th April, 1777, that Spranger's Vessel was seized by the Convention as Tory Property.

John Dole's claim £310 for one half of a Sloop taken by Gilbert Livingston for the use of Tory Prisoners. Gilbert Livingston acted under the authority of the Council of Safety. It appears by the 5th & 6th sections of the Act of 22d Novemr 1781, to provide for the payment of contingent expences, that Philip Jacobs sued G. Livingston & recovered £310. 0. 0 Damages for one half of said Sloop & that he received a Certificate from the Treas^r for £317. 7. 4 for Damages & Costs. I believe it is best that the State pays it without cost, after deducting for part of her sails & the anchor & Cable which must be paid by the United States.

The Ships being ready for use, the Council passed these Directions:—

In Council of Safety for the State of New York, Kingston June 17th 1777.

Resolved that Mr. Hobart, Mr. Jay and Mr. Cuyler be and hereby are appointed a Committee to regulate the fleet Prison & to appoint proper officers for the same

John McKesson, Secry.

In Pursuance of the above Resolution the Committee therein named have established the Regulations for the Fleet Prison and appointed the following Officers for the same:—

I. That all the Sloops or Vessels which may from Time to Time compose the Fleet Prison, together with all the Prisoners on Board the same, be under the Care and Custody of

the Warden thereof and that Capt. Henry Benson be Warden of the Said Prison, That it shall be the duty of the Warden —

I. To enter in a Book the Names of all the Prisoners, the times when committed & when discharged, the Cause of Committment & by whom committed.

II. To provide for their secure Custody, and that the said Vessels be at all times clean & neat.

III. To deliver three Times a week in Spring, Summer and Autumn and twice a week in Winter, to the victualler the Names of all such of the Prisoners as may not be able or not chuse to provide themselves with Provisions & that he enter the same in a Book. That he condemn all such Provisions sent to the Prison by the Victualler as may not be sound & wholesome & keep an Account thereof.

IV. That he permit the Friends of the Prisoners to send them Necessaries, but that the same be delivered to the Officer on Guard & be by him carefully inspected and examined before they be given to the Prisoners.

V. That no Person be at any time permitted to visit the said Prison without the Leave or Order in writing of the Council of Safety or of a Member of this Committee, other than Members of the said Council, and the Commissary, Clerk & Victualler of the said Prison.

VI. That he suffer no Letters or Papers to pass to or from any of the Prisoners without Licence in writing from a Member of this Committee, except that he receive and transmit all Petitions and letters which they may think proper to send to the Council of Safety, or Committees or Members thereof.

VII. That whenever he shall receive Orders to discharge any of the said Prisoners, he shall immediately make known the same to the Clerk of the Prison in order that he may proced to make out the Account of the State against the said Prisoner and receive the money which may be due thereon. That in Case any of the said Prisoners so ordered to be discharged should refuse to pay their said accounts, that the Warden do suspend their Discharge, until he shall have informed the Council of Safety thereof (which he shall immediately do) & obtained their further Order.

II. That a Victualler to the said Prison be appointed. That Capt. Charles Giles be the Victualler thereof. That it shall be the duty of the said Victualler to —

I. To deliver regularly to the Commissary a Copy of the List of Prisoners to be victualled, which he shall from time to time receive from the Warden.

II. That he serve out to the Prisoners named in the said List three Quarters of a pound of Beef, Pork or Mutton & one pound of Bread per day, with a reasonable Allowance of Salt and Vinegar. And that the said rations be served out to the Prisoners at the least three times a Week in Spring, Summer & Autumn, & twice a week in Winter.

III That he receive from the Commissary, and Account for the expenditure of, all Provisions to be by him as aforesaid served out to the Prisoners.

IV That he take care that the Fuel furnished by the Commissary for the use of the Prisoners be Plentifully & regularly served out to them, & that he keep an Account of the same.

V. That the Victualler be paid for his Trouble Nine pounds per Month.

III. That a Commissary to the Said Prison be appointed. That Cornelius Elmendorph be Commissary thereto. That it shall be the duty of the Commissary —

I. To furnish the Victualler for the use of such of the Prisoners as may not be able or willing to provide themselves with three Quarters of a pound weight of Beef, Pork or Mutton, and a pound of Bread per Day, with a reasonable Allowance of Salt, Vinegar and Fuel.

II. That he Account Monthly for the Expenditure of all such sums of Money as shall be advanced to him by the Council of Safety for the purchase of the necessaries aforesaid.

III. That he cause the Hides, Tallow & Wool of all such Cattle or Sheep as he may pur-

chase & kill for the Use of the Prisoners aforesaid to be preserved, and that he render a monthly Account of the same.

IV. That he be paid Eighteen pounds per Month for his trouble.

IV. That a Clerk to the said Prison be appointed. That Capt. Henry Benson be Clerk thereto. That it shall be the Duty of the Clerk —

I. To open & state an Account against each of the Prisoners Provided as aforesaid, noting the Times of their Committment & Discharge.

II. In the said Account to charge them with the Expence Occasioned by their Maintenance respectively, Which Expence will consist of their several Proportions of the first Cost of the Provisions Salt Vinegar and Fuel supplied to them with the incidental Charges, and of the Wages of the Commissary and Victualler.

III. That whenever the Warden of the Prison shall inform the Clerk That he has received Orders to discharge any of the Prisoners, the Clerk shall forthwith make out the Accounts and demand & receive the money due thereon.

IV. That the Clerk have free Access to the Book & Vouchers of the Warden, Commissary and Victualler, in order to enable him to state and keep the Accounts above directed.

V. That the Clerk for his Trouble be allowed to demand and receive for his own Use from each Prisoner, when discharged, the sum of six Shillings & sixpence —

John Sloss Hobart
John Jay
Jacob Cuyler

In Council of Safety for the State of New York, Augt. 27th, 1777.

Resolved that the Prisoners on board the fleet Prison receive the daily Ration of one quarter of a pound of Beef, Pork or Mutton or one half of a pound of Fish and one pound & an half of flower; and once in every ten Days half a pint of Vinegar, one Ounce of Salt & two quarts of Peas & that they be supplied once in two Days.

Resolved that Major Tappen & Mr. Harpur be & they hereby are empowered & directed to form a Contract with some proper Person upon the best Terms they can to furnish such Supplies.

Robt. Benson Secry.

In Council of Safety for the State of New York, September the 1st, 1777.

Resolved that the Commissary of the fleet Prison be served with a Copy of the Regulations of the 27th of Augt last for victualling the Prisoners on board the fleet Prison; and that he be directed to victual the said Prisoners agreeable thereto.

Resolved that the said Commissary be directed to supply the State Prisoners in Kingston Goal with one pound & an half of bread per day and that the Goaler supply them with Water

Robt. Benson Secry.

The Accounts of Cornelius C. Elmendorph, Commissary, give the names of those who were confined in the Fleet Prison, and also many small bills for Provisions furnished. The Council, Aug. 18, 1777, ordered the State Treasurer to pay Mr. Elmendorph £150; and a like amount was ordered paid, Sept. 5, 1777. Early in that year, the Enemy made a raid upon Peekskill, and many who were expecting to go to their Lines were apprehended and placed in the Fleet Prison. On July 10, 1777, Capt. Jacob Hasbrouck, jr., was paid £2. 18. 0 for guarding and conveying Prisoners, by order of the Committee of Ulster County, "to the Ships ordered by the Convention of this State for the Reception of Prisoners in Hudson's River". The Prisoners were taken to New Paltz; and thence, by a journey of two days, to the Ships. There is a Pay-Roll (paid by the Commissioners of Conspiracies Sept. 23, 1777) "of Captain David Van Ness' Company of Militia in Rhinebeck for Guarding Tories from Claverack to ye Fleet Prison at Esopus, Commencing 24th Augt End'g 27th Augt. 1777". The total is £21.3.0.

PRISONERS SENT TO OTHER STATES

Not all of the Prisoners were confined in this State. In October, 1776, many were sent by the Committee of Conspiracies, under guard, to Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Pennsylvania. Bills for their keeping were made out by the Chairmen of the several Town Committees in those States. In Connecticut, the Prisoners were confined at Hartford, Litchfield and Sharon.

The Council of Safety, Aug. 13, 1777, ordered the auditing of the Accounts for the removal of the Prisoners from Connecticut to this State and to New Hampshire. Prisoners had been conveyed to New Hampshire before that date. The Committee of Conspiracies, Oct. 31, 1776, ordered a Detachment from Col. Robert Van Rensselaer's Regiment to guard the Prisoners to New Hampshire. Samuel Smith was appointed Commissary. The journey took 21 days from Charlotte Precinct (Dutchess County) to Exeter, where nearly all of the Prisoners were kept; and the cost was £23. 4. 0. The same Committee, Nov. 9, 1776, ordered Lieut. Bezaleel Rudd, with his Detachment, to join Capt. Robinson in escorting Prisoners from Fishkill to New Hampshire.

On Jan. 9, 1777, the House of Representatives of New Hampshire, on petition of Lt. Col. Joseph Welch, ordered that the Sheriff of Rockingham County keep certain Prisoners at the Expense of the State of New York. The Rev. Dr. Chauncey Graham presented a bill of £38.17.0 for medical attendance upon these Prisoners.

On Mar. 13, 1777, the Committee of Conspiracies sent Lieut. Theodorus Brett after certain Prisoners in New Hampshire, Connecticut and Massachusetts. The Legislature, Nov. 4, 1778, paid the Governor £1192. 11. 0 to reimburse him for the expense of Prisoners moved to New Hampshire; and, in the same year, this State paid £1174.8.9 3/4 to New Hampshire for keeping the Prisoners.

In Massachusetts, the Prisoners were confined at Springfield and Worcester; but the records contain very little about them.

The names of the following British Prisoners of War appear in the documents:—

Aims George
Akerly Isaac
Akerly Nathaniel
Akins Morris
Amar John
Anderson Thomas
Anderson William
Andre John, Maj.
Armstrong Edward
Ashton John
Astin Abraham
Auchmuty James
Bailey William
Bain Peter
Baizley Francis
Ball George
Banyar Gouldsbury
Bark James
Barnot
Bartle Andries B.
Batts Frederick
Bayard William
Bebe Asa
Bedell William
Beemer John
Beemus Coenradt
Beemus Jothem
Bell George
Bennet Asel
Benson Cust
Besemer Jacobus
Bevan Anthony
Beving Casper
Beyala John
Biggs James
Biggs Nathaniel
Bishop Ezekiel
Blake James
Blakely James
Blauvelt Cornelius I.
Blewer Thomas
Bloomer Robert
Bogardus Ephraim
Bolton George
Bougher Benjamin
Bowne Gershom
Bowne James
Bradshaw James
Breamer Anthony
Brewer Richard
Bridget Robert
Brisbow Barnett
Britt Maritje
Brooks Philip
Brown James
Brown John
Brown Mordecai
Brown William
Browne John Thomas
Brownson Samuel
Brundige Joshua
Brush Joshua
Brusie Andries
Brusie Johannes J.
Brusie Nicholas C.
Bryan William
Bryant Lewis
Bryce Abraham
Bulles Jesse
Bulless John
Burdock Peter
Burdock Robert
Burgett Abraham
Burns John
Burrows John
Burrows Nicholas
Burrows William
Burtch Charles
Burtch William
Bush Jacob

Buttelor Thomas
Buyce Abraham
Buyce Peter
Callalen Patrick
Calwell Robert
Campbell Alexander
Campbell Archibald, Col.
Canwell John
Carleton Dennis
Carney Michael
Carniff Jonas
Carpenter Walter
Care Jonah
Case Jonah
Caswell John
Charters George
Chilson Beriah
Chism John
Clapp Joseph
Clark Nathan
Clarke John
Claus Johan George
Clint John
Clum Hendrick
Coans Nicholas
Coens Andries
Coens Philip H.
Colden Cadwallader
Colden Thomas
Cole Aaron, sr.
Cole Aaron, jr.
Cole Benjamin
Cole David
Cole Nicholas
Colgin Thomas
Colis Jarvis
Collins John
Combs Solomon
Commaral William
Conckling David
Conklin Isaac
Conklin John
Conklin Nathaniel
Conner Brian
Connoly Daniel
Conwell Joh
Conwell Reuben
Cook John
Coons Abraham
Cooper Martin
Corbin Nathaniel
Corey Griffin
Cornwall Daniel
Coune John
Coventry Edward
Coventry Robert
Cox Samuel
Crab John
Craft Abraham
Craft Thomas
Crafts William
Crispell Hendrick
Croat Christian
Crookshank Alexander
Cropse Henry
Cropsey Alexander
Crosfield Stephen
Cruselar Baltus
Culm Henry
Cummins John
Cure Samuel
Curry William
Cuyler Abraham C.
Dash Baltus
Dates Daniel
Davis John
Davis Samuel
Dean Daniel
Dean John
Dean Josiah
Deces James
Dederick Jacob
Deeker Arens
Deeker Broer J.
Deeker Coenradt
Deeker Enrigh
Deeker Hendrick
Deeker Jacobus
Deeker John L.
Denton Robert
Depew Peter
Derby William
Devine James
Devine Samuel
De Voe Frederick
Dickinson Tertullus
Didslow Josiah
Dillenburg Peter
Dings George Peter
Dings John
Disbrow Josiah
Diver Andrew
Dodd John
Doughty Edward
Doughty William
Downs James
Drinkwater Samuel
Ducker Daniel
Duell Silas
Dumond John B.
Dunbar Robert
Dunner Walter
Dups Yerry Peter
Dusenbury John
Duzenbery Henry
Ealigh William
Earl Joseph
Eastman Benjamin
Eastmond James
Eastmore Benjamin
Ebbets Daniel
Elting Roelof I.
Eltinge Roeloff
Evans Jacob
Everts Thomas
Eyrs Ephraim
Farrington Benjamin
Faulkner John
Fennell William
Ferman John
Ferris Peter
Fink Alexander
Fink Frederick
Finkle Frederick
Finkle Johan Jost
Fisher Christian
Fisher George
Flewelling James
Flewelling John
Forbes Gilbert
Forbes William
Forgason Peter
Fowland Jacob
Fowler Jacob
Frair Abraham
Franklin Christian
Fraser Daniel
Frazier Simeon
Frazier William
Freisley Samuel
Freligh Isaac
Freligh Samuel
Frenne Samuel
Frere Hendrick
Frier John
Frisbee Coroth
Fulmon Jasper
Furler Jacob
Ganston David
Gardner Paul
Gardner Silas
Garrison Jonas
Gidney Joseph
Gillis John
Goes Matthew, jr.
Gordon James
Gosline James
Grant James
Grant John
Grant William
Grawbarak
Green John
Griffin Obadiah
Groome Francis
Gusherack Frederick
Guyer Nathan
Haaver Christian
Hadden Thomas
Hains Samuel
Halenbeek Kelean
Hallaway Joseph
Halstead John
Ham Coonrat
Hamilton William
Handling Bryant
Hanedorn Christopher
Hannah Samuel
Harder Peter
Hare Alexander
Harris Joseph
Harris Thomas
Hart John
Hartle George
Hasbrook Francis
Hatt Bern't
Haver Johannes
Haver Peter, jr.
Haviland Isaac
Haviland John
Hawley Agur
Hawley John
Hay John
Haynes Samuel
Heard Ebenezer
Hearring Samuel
Heggen John
Helmer John
Henderson Ward
Henderson William
Herring James
Hetfield Col.
Heustis Caleb
Hoffman Coenradt
Hogel Isaac
Holamback Nicholas
Holamback Samuel
Holden James
Holloway Joseph
Horon Isaac
Horton Gilbert
Horton Jonathan
Houten Jonathan
Howard Edward
Hubble Stephen
Hueson George
Hughson George
Hughston George
Hugyet Benjamin
Hull Robert
Huston George
Huton Isaac
Hysdrat Adam
Inglis George
Ingraham Benjamin
Ives David
Jarrolman Henry

Jarvis Samuel
Jeecocks Benjamin
Jenkins John
Jewell Richard
Jones James
Jones Stephen
Josephson Manuel
Keating Gerrit
Kelder William
Keller William
Kelley Patrick
Kelly Thomas
Kennedy Samuel
Ketcham Isaac
Killman Johannes
Kisselbrack Jacob
Kister Henning Nich.
Kitchner Isaac
Klons Johan George
Knox James
Knox Simeon
Koats Christopher
Kool Aaron
Kool Aaron, jr.
Kool Benjamin
Kool David
Korts John
Korts John, jr.
Krank
Ladow Abraham
Laight Edward
Lamanse James
Lancaster William
Landsman Casper
Lantman Hendrick
Laroy Francis
Laroy Johannes
Larys John
Lasher Marks
Lasher Samuel
Laughlin Alexander
Law Henry
Lawrence Thomas
Lawrence William, Dr.
Lawson John
Leonard Thomas
Leslie Alexander
Lester Cornelius
Lester Enoch
Lighthart Daniel
Livingston Samuel
Loan Andries
Loan Philip
Lobdell John
Lockwood Isaac
Lockwood Jesse
Long James
Lonnart Peter
Loop Martin
Losee John
Lott Abraham
Loun Bastian
Low Isaac
Low Simon
Lown Johannes
Lucas Sebastian
Lycks Johannes
Lycks Martin
Lyng John B.
Mabbett Joseph
Mabbett Samuel
McAdo Robert
McAlpin John
McAndo Robert
McAuley William
McCarty Haynes
McDinment William
McDonald Angus
McDonald Daniel
McDonald Donald
McDonald Patrick
McEdew Robert
McEntire Daniel
McEvers James
McGillis Gillis
McGinnis Stephen
McGray Thomas
McGuire Hugh
McIntire Daniel
McIntire John
McIntire Murphy
McKay William
McKinney Arthur
McLachlin Alexander
McLachlin John
McLean Daniel
McLean John
McLean Peter
McLeod Neal
McLetray John
McMallin John
McMullan Donald
McMullen Archibald
McNeil Archibald
McReay William
Maloney John
Mann William
Margeson Peter
Martin John
Matthews Fletcher
Maybee Myndert
Mead William
Medlar John
Megkle Johannes, jr.
Merritt Hackaliah
Merryfield William
Mickle John
Middagh Alexander
Migkle Johannes, jr.
Miller Jacob
Miller Jonathan
Miller Philip
Miller Thomas
Miller Tite
Minkler Adam
Mirey Griffen
Mitchel Robert
Mitchel William
Moffatt William
More John
Morgan Daniel
Morrel John
Morrill Benjamin
Morrison John
Mosher John
Mosier Jehiel
Mott Jacob
Muckle John
Muckleler John
Munro John
Muntford Dominickus
Murphy Thomas
Mynard Henry
Neefus Peter
Neilson Bloomer
Newkerk Jacobus
Newkirk Cornelius
Newman Joseph
Nicolls Charles
Nicolson Robert
Noble Jesse
Olmstead James
Ore William
Orr William
Ortman Christopher
Osburn Alexander
Osburn Israel, sr.
Osburn Israel, jr.
Palmeteer Hendrick
Palmetier Capt.
Panton Francis
Patree Christopher
Patterson Alexander
Penbrook David
Pettit James
Phillips Frederick
Phillips John
Phillips Roelif
Phillips Samuel
Pine Jonathan
Place James
Potts Frederick
Powell Elisha
Proper Samuel
Prosser Elias
Pulver Nicholas
Pulver Peter
Purdy Daniel
Purdy Joseph
Pye Thomas
Ragg Richard
Rapalje John
Rapalje Rem
Read William
Redding David
Redding Edward
Redmond Michael
Reed Jacob
Reed William
Reenuit David
Reynolds James
Richardson John
Rickhart John
Ripenbergh David
Ripenbergh Hendrick
Ritchie George
Robinson Alexander
Robinson Duncan
Robinson James
Robinson John
Rodgers John
Rogers James
Roome John L. C.
Rosse Ephraim
Rumsay Pheneus
Runnien Hendrick
Ryley Michael
Rypenbergh George
Rypenbergh Johannes
Rysdorp Lawrence
St. John Philip
Sand John
Savage John
Saxton John
Saxton William
Sayre John
Schearer Joseph
Schurman Jacob
Scott William
Scoutenar Jacob
Scoutin Jacob
Seaman Coenradt
Seaman David
Seamen Jacob
Seamen Jacob, jr.
Seamen Jeremiah
Second Samuel
Seely Ephraim
Service Christopher
Sexton John
Shannon Joseph
Shaver Hendrick Jacobus
Shaw Gilbert
Shaw Lewis
Shearer Joseph
Shenkley

Shepler William
Sherer Lewis
Shever Hendrick, jr.
Short Edward
Sibley Richard
Simmons Charles
Simmons Coonrat
Simmons David
Simmons Edward
Simmons Jacob
Simmons Jeremiah
Simmons Nicholas
Sipperly Barnt
Sisson Peleg
Skinner Samuel Spencer
Slack William
Sleght Frederick
Sloss John
Sloss Robert
Smedes Abraham
Smedes Joel
Smedes Moses
Smith
Smith Abraham
Smith Austin
Smith Benjamin
Smith Claudius
Smith Coonradt
Smith Daniel
Smith David
Smith Hendrick, jr.
Smith John
Smith Joseph
Smith Killyan, jr.
Smith Zebulon
Snider John
Sniffin Isaac
Snowdry
Snyder Dederick
Snyder Jacob
Snyder John
Snyder Martin
Snyder Teunis
Snyder William
Southard Zebulon
Spencer Jabez
Spicer Frederick
Stanmore Seabody
States Thomas
Steenbrander Benjamin
Steenbrander Isaac
Stevens John
Steward Alexander
Stickle Nicholas
Stokes John
Stokum Jonathan
Storm David
Stout Benjamin
Straats Jacob, jr.
Strain James
Straver Nicholas
Strevell Aldreeks
Stuart Alexander
Summerville John
Swinney John
Switzer Phillip
Sword Samuel
Taylor Cornelius
Taylor Elijah
Taylor Joseph
Tederick Christian
Teed William
Ten Eyck Andrew
Thitshung Isaac
Thomas James
Thompson James
Thorne Jabez
Thorne Jonathan
Thorne Robert
Thurman Richardson
Tibbets George
Timmerman Jacob
Tippet James
Totten Joseph
Tracy James
Trane Joseph
Travers Johannes
Travers Charles
Trecarton Martin
Tremper John
Triver John
Turner
Turner James
Turner Joseph
Tyler Joseph
Underhill Daniel
Underhill Nathaniel
Ustick Henry
Van Alen John L.
Van Alstine Harmon
Van Alstine John S.
Van Alstine Martinus
Van Alstyne Bartholomew
Van Camp Jacob
Van Camp Jacob, jr.
Van Denbergh Henry
Van derburgh John
Van der Kar John
Van dermark Sylvester
Van Duser Johannes
Van Duser Robert
Van Dyck Dirck
Van Kleeck Barent
Van Kleef William
Van Kleek Baltus
Van Schaick Henry
Van Vlarken Alexander
Van Vleet John
Van Waggenen Johannis
Vary Samuel
Vaughan Wright
Verlie Jercke
Verte Thomas
Verty Samuel
Vonk Jacob
Vosburgh Jacob
Vredenbergh John W.
Vrooman Meynard
Wagner John Crist
Wallace William
Wallbridge Elias
Wallegrove Thomas
Walter George
Ward John
Warden Nathaniel
Warner Thomas
Weigger
West Elisha
West James
West Joseph
West William
Wheeler Jerry
Wheeler Nicholas
White Charles
White David
White John
Whitman Abraham
Whitmore Philip
Wickham William
Wigant William
Wilkinson Hannah
Wilkinson Thomas
Williams Arent
Williams Benjamin
Williams Peter
Williams Richard
Williams William
Williamson Thomas
Wilson Alexander
Wilson Thomas
Winderwoer Abraham
Winterton William
Wiver Andrew
Wood James
Wood John
Wood Samuel
Wood Stephen
Wood William
Woodside John
Woolcomb Joseph
Woolsey William
Wooster Moses
Wormer Isaac
Wright Joseph
Wyatt David
Wykoff John
Yager Nicholas
Yates William
Young Adam
Young Andrew
Youngs Isaac
Youngs Israel
Youngs Philip
Youngs Robert
Younkhanse Hendrick
Zise Michael

COMMISSIONERS OF SEQUESTRATION

Before the law relative to Sequestration had been enacted it became necessary to make Sales of certain property belonging to the Enemies of the American Cause. For instance, on Nov. 27, 1776, the Committee of Safety authorized William Duer to send proper persons to take, for the use of the American Army, all the Hay, Forage and Grain on the farm of Thomas Barclay, of Ulster county, "having some months since gone over to the Enemy on Nassau Island," leaving enough for the support of the family and stock remaining on the farm. The Committee also appointed Commissioners to sell the property so taken.

In Convention of the Representatives of the State of New York March 6, 1777—

Whereas divers Ill disposed persons Inhabitants of this State being unmindful of the great duties they owe to the same have joined our cruel & inveterate foes & the Effects of such persons & of divers others now with the enemy are liable to waste or maybe employed for wicked purposes within these States or consist of goods & merchandise usefull to the well affected Inhabitants of the same, In consideration thereof & for divers other good Causes and Considerations.

Resolved that the Commissioners herein after named do take into their custody & possesion all the personal property of the persons aforesaid, and do cause the same to be sold at public vendue upon notice thereof given at least 10 days before the day of sale, and to file with the treasurer of this State Accts. of the sale of such property and to deposit the neat amount thereof together with such monies as they shall find belonging to the persons aforesaid into the Treasury to be hereafter paid to the respective owners thereof or otherwise disposed of at the Discretion of the Legislature of this State. Leaving nevertheless to each of the families of the persons aforesaid their apparel necessary household furniture & as much provisions as will be sufficient for their subsistance for three months.

Resolved that for the due execution of the foregoing Resolutions within the several counties of this State, the following persons be and they hereby are appointed Commissioners with the powers and Authorities aforesaid and also with power of sending for papers & examining witnesses on Oath in the said Counties respectively Vizt for the City & County of Albany Cornelius Cuyler of Schenectady. Harmanus Wendell of the City of Albany & Peter Van Ness of Claverack Esqrs. for the County of Dutchess Anthony Hoffman, Ephraim Payne & Theodorus VanWyck Esqrs for the County of Westchester Stephen Ward, Samuel Drake & Israel Honeywell Junr Esqrs. for the County of Ulster Patrick Barber, Ben Smedes Junr & Johannis Sleght Esqrs, for the County of Orange Jesse Woodhull, John Coe & Gysbert Kuyper Esqrs, for the County of Tryon Frederick Fisher, John Eisenlord & John Harper Esqrs, for the County of Cumberland James Clay, Amos Robertson & Israel Smith Esqrs. And whereas this House for want of Information cannot at present fix upon suitable Commissioners for the Counties of Charlotte & Gloucester, Resolved therefore that the appointment of Commissioners for the said Counties be deferred. Resolved that each of the said Commissioners be allowed besides the Incidental Charges in executing this Trust the sum of Sixteen Shillings per day for their Expences and trouble while actually employed therein & that they do before they enter upon the Said Business take & Subscribe before the Chairman of the Committee of their respective Counties the following Oath — I, A. B., do solemnly swear and declare that I will to the best of my knowledge and Ability execute the trust reposed in

me by the aforegoing Resolutions without Fear Favor Affection Partiality or Hope of Reward. So help me God.

Resolved that all & singular the powers & Authorities by the foregoing Resolutions given to the said Commissioners be rested & exercised in & by any two of those named for the several Counties respectively.

Ordered that A Copy of the said Resolutions be sent to one of the Commissioners in each County & that he be requested to Communicate the same to the other Commissioners in his County & to the Chairman of the County Committee thereof.

March 21, 1777. Whereas this Convention did in and by certain Resolutions passed on the Sixth day of March Instant appoint sundry persons therein named Commissioners to take into their Custody & dispose of the personal property of ill disposed persons who are gone over to or are with the Enemy.

And Whereas the Powers given the said Commissioners by the said Resolutions may in some Instances be found Incompetent for the purposes therein Mentioned —

Therefore Resolved that the Respective Commissioners therein named be & they are hereby Authorized in Cases where upon demand such personal property is refused to be given up to apply to the respective County or District Committee or the Militia Officers in the Respective Counties for such aid as may be judged necessary to carry the aforegoing Resolutions in Execution.

April 16, 1777, a Resolution was passed giving the Commissioners power "to rent out on moderate terms the Farms Stock & Utensils of the farms for one year & take Security for the rent which is to be paid into the Treasury Making reservations for the families who shall be left in necessity by the persons who have gone off". January 13, 1778, a Resolution was passed ordering "that the Commissioners pay no money but by special order from the Convention or Legislature".

The Commissioners took property, mostly personal, and administered it in the name of the State. Therefore, Debts due to that property became Debts due to the State; and Claims against that property became Claims against the State. Many of the Commissioners were sued by parties whose property had been taken wrongfully; but the Legislature usually granted relief in such cases. July 9, 1776 was the date at which the Confiscation became operative. The Commissioners usually sent the proceeds of the Sales and of the renting of farms to the State Treasurer.

The Commissioners of Sequestration, however, were first required to use some of the proceeds for Clothing for the Troops of the State; and some, for furnishing Distressed families with Flour, Meal and other necessaries.

The duties of the Commissioners of Sequestration varied in the several Counties. In the outline given below, the Commissioners who are named are those who did the work, according to the original documents.

In Albany County, there are a few unimportant Accounts of Cornelius Cuyler, Peter Van Ness and Harmanus Wendell, who served in a general way. The County was sub-divided into the Northern, Middle and Southern Districts. George Palmer and John Younglove had charge of the Northern District. The latter came before the Convention, Jan. 14, 1778, and "informed" that, in the course of his business as a Commissioner, he had received three counterfeit bills, $42 in all. The Convention ordered that if Mr. Younglove take Oath that

he did not know who paid them in, he be credited that amount on his Account. He took the Oath, before the State Treasurer, on the same day.

Flores Bancker, Col. Myndert Roseboom and George White were the Commissioners in the Middle District. Nearly all of the Accounts are in the name of Col. Roseboom, and they refer to the relief of the Distressed inhabitants of his locality. This remarkable man, was the son of Hendrick Roseboom. More information in regard to him may be found in "Ancestors and Descendants of John Roseboom, of Schenectady," published in 1898.

The Commissioners of Sequestration, in the Southern District of Albany County, were Matthew Adgate, Gabriel Esseltine, Isaac Goes and Hezekiah Van Orden. In this District, the Commissioners seemed to make special efforts to secure the family plate, which was turned over to the State Treasurer.

The Commissioners for Albany County paid for Provisions, Salt, Clothing and Horses; also for keeping Cattle and for driving to Albany the Cattle of the Disaffected. They transported Tory Prisoners; and the collection of Taxes was among their duties. The record of their Sales of Sequestered Property are not complete, although it is known that some of their Sales commenced in September, 1777. The Sales in the Middle District were about £13000, in 1778 and 1779.

In Charlotte County, the Commissioners were Aaron Fuller, James McNish, John Moorhouse, John Nesbitt and John Rowan. They sold personal Estates to the amount of £370.19.4.

The Commissioners of Cumberland County left no Accounts of importance. They were James Clay, Amos Robertson and Israel Smith.

In Dutchess County, the Commissioners were: Anthony Hoffman, Ephraim Paine, Henry Livingston, jr., Isaac Sheldon and Theodorus Van Wyck. They transported the families of the Disaffected, and gave leases of their houses and farms to others who were loyal to the Cause of the Colonies. Their Accounts are especially full of promissory notes payable to parties whose property was afterward confiscated. Among the notes are many belonging to the Estate of James Dickinson "who went off to the enemy". The amount of the Sales of Confiscated Estates by the Commissioners of this County was £59942.18.3. William and Thomas Henderson were acting as Agents of Beverly Robinson before the war broke out; and there are numerous notes and mortgages payable to their order. They were also Agents for the firm of Beverly Robinson and Roger Morris, afterward described as "Attainted Characters."

The Commissioners of Sequestration in Orange County were: John Coe, Gilbert Cooper, Gysbert Kuyper, Elihu Marvin, Isaac Nicoll, John Terneur and Jesse Woodhull. They made lists of the personal Estates sold, and lists of those who hired farms; paid for inventories of Estates, and for bringing Horses, Grain &c to them; and gathered Forage for the Public Magazine at King's Ferry. The Claimants against Confiscated Estates were paid in Certificates which, as late as 1791, were received by the County Treasurer in payment of "Specie Arrears of Taxes". The Sales of the Commissioners reached a total of £6083.8.8., from January, 1778 to March, 1778. The Auditor-General made these comments on two of the Claims for unjust Sales of personal property:—

" Claims of Mangel Minhorne & John Staples — £217.14.6 for Rent Received of their Farms by the Commiss'rs of Sequestration of Orange County. Both of them were out of the Lines first, & afterwards when they thought it a gone case went into N. York & joined the Enemy. It is true that they have procured a Certificate that they contributed to the relief of the Prisoners, but this is no proof to me that they were friends. It might have proceeded from fear when they found we would succeed in the end. Therefore their claim is inadmissible ".

Peter S. Deygart, John Eisenlord, Frederick Fisher, Christopher Fox, John Harper and William Harper were the Commissioners of Sequestration for Tryon County. The Commissioners delivered Provisions for the use of the Continental Army; collected rents from Confiscated Farms; and, in numerous cases, gave assistance to the Distressed.

The following, from Tryon County, is one of the most valuable documents in the collection:—

A Rent Roll of the Farms left by Persons gone to the Enemy and

To whom belong'd	By Whom Rented	Month	Year	Annual Rent £.	D.	S.
Sir John Johnson, mill Johnstown	Willm. Phillips	May 15	1777	75.	0.	0
Thomson	Jno. Seber	June 7	Do.	14.	0.	0
Do. G. Flats	Nellis	7	Do.	5.	0.	0
Adm. Helmer Do.	Jno. Kasselman	7	Do.	—	—	—
Jno. Herkimer	J. R. Herkimer	7	Do.	50.	0.	0
Tenbrook	— — — — — — — —	7	Do.	—	—	—
Jno. Weaver	— — — — — — — —	—	—	—	—	—
Jno. Campbell C/ Valley	— — — — — — — —	—	—	—	—	—
Sir John Johnson's Old Fort	Abm. Barclay	7	Do.	100.	0.	0
Col. Claus	Edwd. Roach	7	Do.	30.	0.	0
Col Johnson	Pat. Downs	7	Do.	30.	0.	0
Sir John Johnson's (Hall)	J. Sammons	Sepr 15	Do.	100.	0.	0
Do. Farm at Caughnawaga	Jno. Fonda	June 7	Do.	9.	0.	0
Do. Old Fort	Groot	7	Do.	20.	0.	0
Jno. Young	Jno. Seber	7	Do.	20.	0.	0
Michl Byrne	— — — — — — — —	—	Do.	—	—	—
Petres (at Coxes)	Capt H. Staring	Feby 7	1778	4.	0.	0
Lewis Clement	Barns. Hanson	May 1	Do.	15.	0.	0
Guy Johnson	Fergus Kennedy	1	Do.	15.	0.	0
Walter Butler	H Young	1	Do.	8.	0.	0
Php. Shaver	Henk Vrooman	1	Do.	6.	0.	0
Mich. Bvrne	Richd. Collins	Decr 24	Do.	10.	0.	0
Col Claus (Kingsbro)	John Long	Sepr 15	Do.	10.	0.	0
Do. Mohawk River	Will Harper	May 6	Do.	15.	0.	0
Sir John Johnson's mill & Fort	Albt. Vedder	—	Do.	80.	0.	0
Do. Caughnawaga	John Fonda	June 7	Do.	40.	0.	0
John Weaver	— — — — — — — —	—	—	—	—	—
McGuire	Wm. Palminter	Oct 1	Do.	12.	0.	0
Fredk Young	Wm. Wills	1	Do.	20.	0.	0
John Young	Jno. Seber	1	Do.	20.	0.	0
Hank Huff	Wm. Phillips	Apl 15	Do.	14.	0.	0
John Frail	Jno. Morgan	Sepr 15	Do,	9.	0.	0
Gilt. Tice	Jas. Dunn	15	Do.	6.	0.	0
	Jas. Davison	15	Do.	6.	0.	0
	Pet Yost	15	Do.	6.	0.	0
	Jno. Crowly	15	Do.	3.	0.	0
	Wm. Laird	15	Do.	3.	0.	0
	Wm. Emmons	15	Do.	6.	0.	0
	M. McMartin	15	Do.	10.	0.	0
	A. Stevens	15	Do.	11.	0.	0
	Ph. Phillips	15	Do.	6.	0.	0
	Jno. Anderson	15	Do.	15.	0.	0
	B. Dolyne	15	Do.	6.	0.	0
	Thos. Butler	—	—	—	—	—
Castleman (at the pose)—	Casp. Teller	July	Do.	2.	0.	0
	Wm. Phillips	—	—	100.	0.	0
Peter Summer	Lamb	May 1	Do.	2.	0.	0
Ph. Christler, Durloch	— — — — — — — —	—	—	—	—	—
Fred Fox Do.	Coffman	1	Do.	2.	0.	0
Adam Hoover Do.	— — — — — — — —	—	—	—	—	—

forfeited to the United States, and in whose Possession they are now

Rent Paid			Rent in Arrear			
75.	0.	0.				
—	—	—	14.	0.	0	Given to Indians by Genl Arnold
—	—	—	—	—	—	destroyed by the Enemy
—	—	—	—	—	—	left for support of Family
—	—	—	50.	0.	0	Genl. Herkimer had it with the Utensils and since Killed
—	—	—	—	—	—	Proved his Wifes Property
—	—	—	—	—	—	In Possession of his wife
—	—	—	—	—	—	Mortgagee has closed the Mortgage
—	—	—	100.	0.	0	Run away
—	—	—	30.	0.	0	Dead & his Widow Run away
7.	10.	0	23.	0.	0	Run away
100.	0.	0	—	—	—	
9.	0.	0	—	—	—	Out of repair
—	—	—	20.	0.	0	run away & since hanged
—	—	—	—	—	—	destroyed by the Enemy
—	—	—	—	—	—	In Possession of his Wife
—	—	—	4.	0.	0	destroyed by the Enemy
15.	0.	0	—	—	—	Out of repair
15.	0.	0	—	—	—	Out of repair
—	—	—	8.	0.	0	£5 Specie rec'd by J. Harper. See Creditted in acct B by said Harper.
6.	0.	0				
10.	0.	0				
10.	0.	0				
15.	0.	0				
80.	0.	0				
40.	0.	0				
—	—	—	—	—	—	Not Tenanted
12.	0.	0				
—	—	—	20.	0.	0	Insolvent
—	—	—	20.	0.	0	destroyed by the Enemy
14.	0.	0	—	—	—	
9.	0.	0				
—	—	—	—	—	—	Insolvent
—	—	—	—	—	—	dead & Insolvent
—	—	—	—	—	—	Good
3.	0.	0				
3.	0.	0				
—	—	—	6.	0.	0	Insolvent
—	—	—	10.	0.	0	good
—	—	—	6.	0.	0	insolvent
—	—	—	—	—	—	do
15.	0.	0				
—	—	—	6.	0.	0	insolvent
—	—	—	—	—	—	(No Rent being fixt in Peaceable Possession and appearing friendly to the States never took possession)
100.	0.	0				
—	—	—	—	—	—	In Possession of the Family
—	—	—	2.	0.	0	taken possession of by the proprietor
—	—	—	—	—	—	In Possession of his Wife

RENT ROLL —

To whom belong'd	By Whom Rented	Month	Year	Annual Rent £.	D.	S.
Jol. Miller, Durloch	— — — — — — — —	—	—	—	—	—
H. Marsellas Do.	— — — — — — — —	—	—	—	—	—
Jas. Markle Do.	— — — — — — — —	—	—	—	—	—
H. Shaver Do.	— — — — — — — —	—	—	—	—	—
G. Lowks Do.	— — — — — — — —	—	—	—	—	—
Jno. Shell Do.	— — — — — — — —	—	—	—	—	—
John Crows Do.	— — — — — — — —	—	—	—	—	—
J. McDonald Cht River	— — — — — — — —	—	—	—	—	—
Allen Do.	— — — — — — — —	—	—	—	—	—
Bory Do.	— — — — — — — —	—	—	—	—	—
Alexr. Do.	— — — — — — — —	—	—	—	—	—
D. Miller	— — — — — — — —	—	—	—	—	—
Jno. Cameron, Cortwright	— — — — — — — —	—	—	—	—	—
H. Clark Do.	— — — — — — — —	—	—	—	—	—
D. Nicholson Do.	— — — — — — — —	—	—	—	—	—
G. Chisholm Do.	— — — — — — — —	—	—	—	—	—
Jno. Livingston Do.	— — — — — — — —	—	—	—	—	—
Dond. McLeod Do.	— — — — — — — —	—	—	—	—	—
H. McMullen Do.	— — — — — — — —	—	—	—	—	—
Sir John Johnson's Mill Johnstown	William Tullip	May 15	1779	520.	0.	0
Sir John Johnson's Hall, Do	Jas. Sammons	15	1779	130.	0.	0
Johnstown	Jno. Van Vorst	—	Do.	6.	0.	0
Do.	Php. Phillips	Sepr 15	Do.	6.	0.	0
Do.	Wm. Emmory	15	Do.	6.	0.	0
Do.	Peter Yost	15	Do.	6.	0.	0
Do.	Jno. Phillips	15	Do.	6.	0.	0
Do.	Jo. Scott	15	Do.	6.	0.	0
Do.	G. D. Lyne	15	Do.	6.	0.	0
Do.	Jas. Dunn	15	Do.	6.	0.	0
Do.	A. Van Dewarke	15	Do.	6.	0.	0
Do.	Mr. Murry	15	Do.	6.	0.	0
Do.	Shuttans	15	Do.	6.	0.	0
Do.	Rob. Adams	—	—	—	—	—
Michl Byrne	Richd. Collins	Decr 24	Do.	20.	0.	0
Claus, at Kingsborough	John Long	15	Do.	20.	0.	0
Do. Mohawk River	Wm. Harper	—	—			
Walter Butler	Hen. Young	May 1	Do.	8.	0.	0
Farm & Mill at Fort	Albert Vedder	—	Do.	150.	0.	0
Sir John Johnson's Caughnawaga	John Fonda	June 7	Do.			
Lewis Clement	B. Hanson	May 1	Do.			
	Michl. Clyne	—	—	6.	0.	0
	Wm. Laird	Sepr 15	Do.	3.	0.	0
	Jno. Anderson	Do.	Do.	15.	0.	0
Simon Clarke	B. D.	Do.	—	6.	14.	0
(name missing)	(name missing)	Do.	—	45.	0.	0
John Bouzier	Nicl. McMartin	Do.	Do.	10.	0.	0
John Frazier	Ama Stevens	Do.	Do.	11.	0.	0
McGregor	Jerem. Crowly	Do.	Do.	3.	0.	0
Fredk. Young	Wm. Wells	Do.	Do.	20.	0.	0
Jno Frail	John Morgan	Do.	Do.	9.	0.	0
H. Huff	Gody. Shue	Do.	Do.	14.	0.	0
McGruir	— — — — — — — —	—	—	50/	0.	0

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Rent Paid			Rent in Arrear			
—	—	—	—	—	—	In Possession of his Wife
—	—	—	—	—	—	Do.
—	—	—	—	—	—	Do.
—	—	—	—	—	—	Do.
—	—	—	—	—	—	Untenanted
—	—	—	—	—	—	In Possession of his Wife
—	—	—	—	—	—	Untenanted
—	—	—	—	—	—	Do.
—	—	—	—	—	—	Do.
—	—	—	—	—	—	Do.
—	—	—	—	—	—	Do.
—	—	—	—	—	—	Do.
—	—	—	—	—	—	Family residing on the Farm
—	—	—	—	—	—	Untenanted
—	—	—	—	—	—	Do.
—	—	—	—	—	—	Do.
—	—	—	—	—	—	Do.
—	—	—	—	—	—	Do.
—	—	—	—	—	—	Do.
—	—	—	—	—	—	insolvent
—	—	—	—	—	—	do.
—	—	—	—	—	—	good
—	—	—	—	—	—	bad
—	—	—	—	—	—	do.
—	—	—	—	—	—	do.
—	—	—	—	—	—	do.
—	—	—	—	—	—	do.
—	—	—	—	—	—	do.
—	—	—	—	—	—	good
—	—	—	—	—	—	(Left by Will during Life with the Potash works by Sr. William Johnson)
—	—	—	—	—	—	dead, his estate not able to pay
—	—	—	—	—	—	bad, runaway
—	—	—	—	—	—	(Twenty Skippl of Wheat at the Price it may go at, with Two Cows on the Place at £50, with some Farming Utensils)
—	—	—	—	—	—	good
						(Twenty Skipples of Wheat at the Price it may go at. good)
						(Twenty Skipples of Wheat at the Price it may go at. Taken off & carr'd to Canada)
—	—	—	—	—	—	good
—	—	—	—	—	—	do.
—	—	—	—	—	—	insolvent
—	—	—	—	—	—	do.
—	—	—	—	—	—	do.
—	—	—	—	—	—	runaway
—	—	—	—	—	—	taken prisoner
—	—	—	—	—	—	Insolvent
—	—	—	—	—	—	not able to pay
—	—	—	—	—	—	bad

The best preserved, and the most interesting of all the records of Sales by the Commissioners of Sequestration in the several Counties is one with the heading "Account Sales of Sundries Sold at Publick Vandue by the Commissioners of Sequestration for the County [Tryon] by order of the Convention of the State of New York, March 6th 1777, The Property Formerly belonging to the Persons hereafter mentioned, beginning at Johnson's Hall May 1st 1777". This book shows a total of £13205.2.3 received for the Sales, ending Dec. 23, 1777. The separate items of Sales number over 3000. The Sales of Sir John Johnson's effects, at Johnstown, Nov. 17, 1777, aggregated £3576.13.11. Among the items are: 2 Tackle Clocks; 1 Negro Wench & 2 Children, £81; 1 Negro Man, £59.19.0; Surveyors instruments; shoe-maker's tools; numerous brass fenders and andirons; 1 electrifying wheel; 1 large Bible; 2 spinning wheels; and (at Johnson's Hall) a harpsichord.

The Commissioners sold Sequestered Property to the amount of £1951.2.2, from July, 1780 to June, 1783. There is an apparent total of £28565.5.2 for property sold. This is exclusive of £2000, for Sales in 1777. The Auditor-General, in passing upon the Accounts of the Commissioners, objected because they had turned in a part in notes, instead of all in cash; and because the excuse for so doing was that some of the purchasers "had their property burnt or destroyed by the Enemy". Therefore, the Auditor-General refused to accept notes or bad debts; and referred the Commissioners to the Legislature for relief.

In Ulster County, Patrick Barber, James Hunter, Johannis Sleght and Benjamin Smedes, jr., were the Commissioners. There are four books of Sales of effects by the Commissioners, aggregating a larger amount of details than the Sales in Tryon County; and the items are nearly, if not quite, as interesting. The total amount realized was about £16500. Beside this, Barber's Sales netted £2094; Sleght's, £1466;

In Westchester County a Special Committee ante-dated, and ran parallel with, the work of the Commissioners of Sequestration. The Committee of Safety, Feb. 22, 1777, appointed Samuel Drake, Israel Honeywell, Nathaniel Hyatt, jr., William Miller, John Thomas, jr., and Stephen Ward, as a Special Committee, or Commission, "to protect the persons and property of the well-affected inhabitants of Westchester County; to secure the effects of those who have fled to or joined the Enemy; and to guard the effects taken from such Persons". Mr. Thomas was the Chairman; and Ezekiel Hawley, Nathan Rockwell and Joseph Strang occasionally served on the Committee. (See Forage, in the Chapter on "Provisions.") The Special Committee ordered the Committee of Salem to dispose of the effects of several persons who had "joined the Enemies of the United States of America". The Sales netted £587.16.8. In March, 1777, the Committee, in conjunction with the Committee of the Convention, resolved to raise 262 men for one month. They were divided into five Companies, under the command of Lieut. Col. Hammon and Major Fish. The Accounts of the Committee were settled by Richard Hatfield, Philip Pell, jr., and Jonathan G. Tompkins, who were appointed for that purpose by the Provincial Congress, May 13, 1777.

Samuel Drake, Israel Honeywell and Stephen Ward, members of the Special Committee, were also appointed Commissioners of Sequestration for Westchester County. James Hunt was the

fourth Commissioner. The Commissioners paid for bringing in the effects of the Disaffected; took firewood, timber &c from Sequestered Estates for the use of the Army; and assessed small amounts, generally not exceeding £3., on farms formerly owned by those who had gone to the Enemy. The Commissioners paid the proceeds for the support of the Poor in the Manor of Cortlandt. They were applied to by the Assistant State Agent for the French Army, and by twelve Assistant State Agents for the American Army, for lists of all the Sequestered Farms, so that Forage might be gathered for the two respective Armies.

The books of Sales in Westchester County were not as full and complete as the books in the Counties of Tryon and Ulster. One book of Sales footed up £13893; and an apparent total was £15650. On Sept. 1, 1782, Timothy Pickering, Quarter-Master-General of the Continental Army, appointed John Keese to examine all Accounts and Claims; and his report of Dec. 15, 1782, showed that the Claim of the State against the United States was £13765.3.2 3/4. The sum of £6758.8.3 was added to this by the appraisement of Officers chosen by the United States and by the State of New York.

Claims for Damages by the American Army

Nearly all the Claims for Damages done by the American Army came through the Commissioners of Sequestration; who either paid them first, or presented them directly to the State. This was especially true of timber cut, and fence rails taken, from Sequestered Estates, for the most part in Westchester County. In the same County, large quantities of rails and Forage were taken for the use of the American Army from both Sequestered and Private Estates. The Accounts relating to these Claims give, in detail, the names of the former proprietors, the names of the occupants and the value of the property taken. The total value was about £70,000. The property taken consisted of about 3000 cords of fire wood and 350,000 rails. Some of the Accounts were prepared by John Keese, under appointment from Timothy Pickering, Quarter-Master-General of the Continental Army.

The State Treasurer issued Certificates for Money due for Damages to farms. Claims of this nature were paid by the State, almost without exception; and the State afterward recovered the several amounts from the United States. While Damages of this sort usually came through the operations of the Army, yet the Convention sometimes ordered the taking, or damaging, of private property.

The State of New York to Nicholas Bayard Dr.

To damages done his Estate by order of the State Convention, Viz[t].

Destroying the Timber from Bunker Hill, taken Sod from his Best fields in Order to Erect a fort on the said hill, cutting down the Locust Trees in his lane, to the Amount of £1000.

The above damages were done by Order of the State Convention in the year 1776.

Personally appeared before me Daniel McCormick one of the Aldermen of the City of New York, Nicholas Bayard, who being sworn on the holy Evangelist of Almighty God deposeth and saith that the above damages of £1000 he belives to be done to his Estate.

Nicholas Bayard

Sworn before me this 31 Day of Decr. 1790

Daniel McCormick.

The following were the Claimants for Damages by the American Army:—

Acker Abraham
Acker William
Ackles (Widow)
Adams Nathaniel
Allaire Mary (Widow)
Andrews (Widow)
Angevine Lewis
Applebe Joseph
Appleby Stephen
Arnold Richard
Arundel Richard
Atkins David
Ausen Albert
Ausen John
Auser John
Bard Joseph
Bates John
Bayard Nicholas
Bayley William
Belding Samuel
Bennett (Widow)
Bevier Abraham
Bishop Noah
Bishop Thomas
Bonnet (Widow)
Boyce Aaron
Boyce Abraham
Boyce Jacob
Boyce John
Boyce Thomas
Brady Thomas
Brevoort Abraham
Britt John
Brown Ebenezer
Campbell John
Carpenter Archelaus
Champenois Thomas
Chatterton Michael
Chatterton William
Clopper (Widow)
Codwise Christopher
Comb George
Crawford William
Cromwell Judea
Cypher John
Davids David
Davids William
Davis Peter
Dean Isaac
Dean John
Dean Samuel
Dean Willits
DeLancey James
Delevan Samuel
DeVoe (Widow)
Dusenbery John
Dusenbury Woolsey
Dutcher William
Ecker Stephen
Ellis (Widow)
Enters Mary
Farchay John
Field William
Fisher John
Fisher Samuel
Fleuelling Thomas
Foshay John
Fowler Anthony
Fowler Benjamin
Fowler Christopher
Fowler Jonathan
Fowler Joseph
Fowler Newbury
Frost Jedediah
Gale Griffin
Galpin Joseph
Garrison Isaac
Gidney Absolom
Gidney Isaac
Gidney James
Gidney John
Gidney Jonathan
Gilliland James
Golden Joseph
Hadley George
Haight John
Haight Thomas
Haight William
Hammen James
Hart Eleazer
Hatton Robert
Hawkins John
Hetfield Joshua
Heustis Caleb
Heyfield Hannah (Widow)
Hill James
Hill Thomas
Honeywell Israel, jr.
Hopper Richard
Horton Gilbert
Horton Jonathan P.
Horton Samuel
Hunt Eden
Hunt John
Hunt Joshua
Hunt Solomon
Hunt Thomas
Hunt William
Jewell John
Kniffin Jonathan
Lancaster William
Lawnsbury William
Lawrence Isaac
Le Forgee Adrian
Leggett Joseph
Lipe John
Ludington Comfort
Lyon Samuel
McChain Hendrick
McChain James
McCord James
McLean John
Mandeville Jacob
Martine John
Martling Daniel
Mathews Ananias
Meeks John
Menzies Thomas
Merritt Thomas
Miller Ann (Widow)
Miller Anthony
Mulhern Richard
Munson George
Nelson Joshua
Newbury John
Oakley Caleb
Oakley David
Oakley John
Oakly William
Odell Henry
Ogden Benjamin
Ogden William
Orsar Albert
Orsar John
Owens Moses
Patterson Matthew
Pearce James
Peirson Joseph
Pelton Daniel
Pelton Philip
Philipse Frederick
Post Abraham
Post Anthony
Pugsley David
Pugsley Gilbert
Pugsley William
Purdy (Widow)
Purdy Gabriel
Purdy Henry
Purdy Joseph
Purdy Samuel
Requaw Glode
Requaw James
Rich Elizabeth (Widow)
Rich Thomas
Robinson Beverly (Religious Society)
Ryder Jacob
Ryer Sarah
See (Widow)
See Isaac
See James
Sherwood Job
Smith David
Smith John
Snider Stephen
Snouk Peter
Storm Abram
Storm Hendrick
Storm John
Syffer John
Taylor Gilbert
Taylor Shadreck
Ten Eycke Isaac
Tompkins Jonathan G.
Travis Uriah
Underhill (Widow)
Underhill Abram
Underhill John
Valentine Thomas
Van Amberough John
Van Ambree John
Van Tassell Cornelius
Van Tassell David
Van Tassell Jacob
Van Tassell John
Van Tassell Peter
Van Wart Jacob
Van Wart William
Veal William
Ward Gilbert
Ward Stephen
Waring & Townsend
Warner William
Warren James
Warren Peter
Weeks Gilbert
Weeks John
Wiggons Stephen, jr.
Wilde Judith (Widow)
Williams Isaac
Williams Mary (Widow)
Willson Jotham
Yerks (Widow)
Yerks John
Youngs Joseph

A law passed October 21, 1779 provided for a Joint-Committee of both Houses of the Legislature "to enquire into the conduct of the Commissioners of Sequestration". Proceeding under this law, James Duane, John Morin Scott and Egbert Benson made a report in July, 1781, showing that their own expenses had been £ 6369. between March 3, 1780 and July 10, 1781. With the report was filed an alphabetical list of the names of those whose property had been sold; and the statement was made that the list was complete. As the Joint-Committee evidently overlooked many papers that are accessible today, the list furnished by them in 1781 is merged in the following list which may be considered the most accurate and exhaustive that has ever been published. The Military and Civil Titles given in the list had been granted under the Colony before the War.

Estates Confiscated

Abbot Joseph
Acker Garret
Acker Joseph
Acker Jost
Acker Tice
Ackerman William
Ackerley Joshua
Ackerson John I.
Adams Nathaniel
Addams John
Adolphin
Albertson John
Albrant Henry
Alexander
Algyer M.
Allen
Alyea Isaac
Ames Jonas
Ames Nicholas
Amory John
Anderson James
Anderson John
Anderson Joseph
Anderson Joshua
Anjouvine John
Anjouvine Peter
Anker Caleb
Anthony Joseph
Antis Peter
Apthorpe
Archer Caleb
Ardencock J.
Arkenburgh William
Armstrong John
Arskine John
Backer Abraham
Backes Peter, jr.
Bailey
Bailey Abraham
Bailey Levy
Bailey William
Baisley John
Baizley Abraham
Baker Jonathan
Baker Samuel
Baker William
Ball George
Ball Jacob
Banyar Gouldsbury
Barclay (Mrs)
Barclay Thomas
Barclay Thomas H.
Barker John
Barker Thomas
Barnard Conrad
Barnet Ochabed
Barnett Ichabod B.
Barnhart D.
Barnhart Herman
Barnhart Joseph
Barns John
Barns Joshua
Bartlefalk Johannis
Bartley Esions
Basely John
Basely Thomas
Basler
Bates Gilbert
Bates John
Banck Frederick
Baxter Samuel
Baxter Thomas
Bayard Samuel
Bayard William, Col.
Beardsley John
Beaty Thomas
Bedford Jonathan
Belding Samuel, Dr.
Bell George
Bell John
Bend Grove
Bennet Thomas
Benton
Bergh Christian, jr.
Berkley E.
Berkley J.
Best
Bevens William
Beyea James
Bird Henry
Birdsalls John
Black John
Black Nation
Blakely James
Blauvelt David
Bloomendall John
Bloomer Robert
Bobbett Daniel
Boen Luykert
Bogart Abraham
Bogart Guysbert
Bogart Jacobus
Bogart James
Bolt Moses
Bonett Peter
Booth William
Bort Peter
Bortick
Bory
Boslar Frederick
Bowen William
Bower Capt.
Bowser John
Bradshaw Stephen
Brady Thomas
Brewer Jeremiah
Brevort Elias
Briggs Elkanah
Briggs William
Brill Jacob
Brill Johannis
Brink Samuel
Brinkley Thomas
Brisbe John
Broadhower Nicholas
Brower Jeremiah
Brown Abraham
Brown Betle
Brown Caleb
Brown Casper
Brown Ebenezer
Brown Edward
Brown Everit
Brown Hendrick
Brown James
Brown Nathaniel
Brownson Samuel
Brundige Joshua
Brush Hendrick
Brush Joseph
Brush Shubal
Brust M.
Buckhout
Buckhout John
Buckhout Peter
Buckley Evert
Buckley Jochim
Buckstone
Buel Timothy
Buise John
Bullock
Burch
Burch John
Burges
Burnet Matthew
Burnet Thomas
Burnet William
Burnett Ichabeed B.
Burns William
Burtis
Burtis Barent
Bush Christian
Bush Hendrick
Bush Martin
Butler John, Col.
Butler Walter, Ens.
Butson George
Buyce Peter, sr.
Buyce Peter, jr.
Buyck Christopher
Buyse William
Byrne Michael

Cadman William
Calkins Capt.
Cambron John
Cambron William
Cameron Duncan
Cameron John
Cameron William
Campbell
Campbell Archibald
Campbell Duncan
Campbell James
Campbell Jno
Campbell Neal
Campbell William
Carehart Daniel
Carithers Thomas
Carle Thomas
Carle William
Carleton Dennis
Carpenter Archelaus
Carpenter Daniel
Carpenter Henry
Carpenter Israel
Carpenter Jonathan
Carpenter Latting
Carpenter William
Carpenter Zeno
Carrigan Patrick
Carrigan Peter
Casimer John
Castleman
Chace Daniel, jr.
Champenvois John
Chatterdon Michael
Cherry John
Cherrytree Jacob
Chew Josiah
Chisholm George
Christian
Christler Philip
Clapp Jesse
Clark Hugh
Clark John
Clark Robert
Clark Samuel
Clark Simon
Clarwater Abraham
Clarwater Daniel
Clarwater Frederick
Clarwater Isaac
Clarwater Jacob
Claus Daniel, Col.
Clement Jennet
Clement Joshua
Clement Lewis
Clement Peter
Cline Michael
Clopper Cornelius
Close Abraham
Close Benjamin, jr
Cock Jorden
Coevert Adolphus
Cole Daniel
Cole Jacob
Cole John
Cole John I.
Cole Simon
Coles Daniel
Concklin Joseph
Conckling
Conckling Abraham
Cones John
Constable Abraham
Cook George
Cook Ichabod
Cooke Matthias
Coone Jacob
Coone John
Cooper Jacob
Cooper Thomas
Corey Griffin
Cormer Peter
Cormer Thomas
Corney Peter
Cough Philip
Covel Simeon
Covert George
Cowan M.
Cox Samuel
Craft David
Craft John, jr.
Crafts William
Crannell Bartholomew
Craney Capt.
Crathers Thomas
Crawford David
Crawford James
Creighton John
Crieslar William
Crissy Simon
Cronk John
Cronkhyte Isaac
Crookshank Alexander
Crossfield Stephen
Crow Joseph
Crows John
Crum William
Crysler Adam
Cummings Patrick
Cummins John
Cummins William
Currien David
Curry Joseph
Curry Joshua
Curry Peter
Curry Stephen
Curwin
Cutler Roger
Cuyler Abraham C.
Cuyler Nicholas
Dan David
Danford Richard
Danford Stephen
Danielson Thomas
Dann Abraham
Darrot James
Davis Charles
Day John
Dayfoot Daniel
Dean Nicholas
Deas James
DeBleanas John
DeFries Abraham
DeGraugh Abraham
DeLancey James, Lt. Gov. & Council
DeLancey Stephen
Demarest Peter
Demilts John
Demott Isaac
Dennis
Derby William
DesBrosses Elias
DeVoe Frederick
DeWitt Jacob
Dick
Dickinson Gilbert
Dickinson James
Dickinson Samuel
Dickinson Tertullus
Dingey Solomon
Dingwill James
Dixon John
Dobbs Michael
Dobbs Walter
Dockstader George A.
Dodge Ithamer
Dodge Stephen
Dop John
Doty Abraham
Doty Philip
Doughty Edward
Dow Joseph
Downs James
Drake Cornelius
Drake Jeremiah
Drake Peter
Drumming Patrick
DuBois Cornelius
DuBois Peter
Dumond & Oothout
Duncan James
Dusenbury Woolsey
Ebbets Daniel
Edwards Manuel
Elder William
Elleback Emanue.
Ellis William
Ellison Richard
Ellistone Abraham
Elswrath
Emmons Eli
Emmons John
Empie Christopher
Empie Philip
Ennist John
Esselstyne Peter
Everit Richard
Every John
Every Thomas
Fairchild
Falconham
Faulk Isaac
Faulkner John
Feather John
Fellinger (the Drummer)
Ferdon
Ferdon Jacob
Ferguson
Ferguson A.
Ferguson John
Ferres Jacob
Festor Francis P.
Feterly Peter
Fetter Lucas
Fetter Philemon
Field Benjamin
Fiks Peter
Finckle George
Fisher
Fisher Alexander
Fisher Daniel
Fisher John
Fisher Thomas
Flagler Simon
Flandreau John
Flewelling Abel
Flewelling John
Flewelling Lemuel, jr.
Flewelling Morris
Flewelling Samuel, jr.
Flewelling Thomas
Flock Harmanes
Folliott George
Ford Joseph
Forman James
Forman Zebulon
Foster
Foster P.
Fowler Andrew
Fowler Benjamin
Fowler David
Fowler George
Fowler Jeremiah
Fowler Jonathan, jr.
Fowler Newbury
Fowler Reuben
Fowler Samuel
Fowler Sarah
Fowler Solomon

Fowler William
Fox Frederick
Fradrick Barant
Frail John
Frazier Hugh
Frazier John
Frazier John Due
Frazier Simon
Frazier William
Freehoudt Isaac
Freel Jonathan
Freligh Jacob
French Benjamin
French Chanty
French Gershom
French Jeremiah
French John
Frost Caleb
Frost Jacob
Fuller Lemuel
Furman
Furman James
Futer Lewis
Gale Griffin
Galpin Joseph
Gardiner Jacob
Gardner
Gardner Charles
Gardner Covel
Gardner Thomas
Garlough Peter
Gee John
Gentill George
Germond Silas
Getman John
Ghons Hans Jury
Gibson Andrew
Gibson John
Gidney Caleb
Gidney David
Gidney Isaac
Gidney Jacob
Gidney James
Gidney John
Gidney Jonathan
Gidney Joshua
Gidney Solomon
Gifford Benjamin
Gisner John
Gleason John
Golden Joseph
Golding Benjamin
Golding John
Gonong Isaac
Gourmand Arthur
Graham John
Graham John I.
Graims (Mrs).
Grains
Grant Col.
Grant Alexander
Grant James
Grass Michael
Gray
Gray Capt.
Gray William
Graypoll Peter
Green Abraham
Green Absolom
Green James
Green Joseph
Green Samuel
Grey William
Grifeth (Squire)
Griffin Josiah
Griffith Dr.
Griffith John
Griggs
Griggs (Mrs)
Grigson Thomas
Groat Henry
Groat R.
Guile John
Guion Jonathan
Hadden John
Hadler Adam
Haff Paul
Hageman John
Haight James
Haight Joseph
Hains Alexander
Hains Daniel
Hains Elijah
Hains James
Hains John
Hains Peter
Haire Alexander
Hait David
Hait James
Hait William
Halenbeck John
Ham Frederick, jr.
Hambleton John, Dr.
Hamman James
Hammell Briant
Hamond Isaac
Haner Frederick
Hannabell John
Hanse Harmanse
Hansicker Andries
Hardin Magdalen
Hare Alexander
Hare James
Harris
Harris Brewer
Harris Francis
Harris Samuel
Hars Uriah
Hart James, jr.
Hasbrouck Jacob
Haslop James
Hatfield Barnes
Havens John
Haviland Charles
Haviland John
Hawkins John
Hawkshurst Jesse
Hawley Ezekiel
Hawley Ezekiel, jr.
Hawley John
Hayes John
Heliker Augustus
Heliker Jacob
Heliker Jeremiah
Heliker John
Hellum Peter
Helmer Adam
Hemstead Nathaniel
Henderson Thomas
Henderson William
Henning Philip
Henry
Herkimer Johan Jost, Capt.
Herkimer John
Herron Isaac
Higgins John
Hill Zacheus
Hilliback Baltus
Hitchcock Joseph
Hoag Nathan
Hoaksley Robert
Hober Adam
Hock John
Hodges E.
Hodges T.
Hoff Hendrick
Hoffman Ludlow
Hoffnagel
Hoffnagle John
Hoffnagle Melcher
Hoffnagle Michael
Hofle Hendrick
Hogel A.
Hogel John
Hoit David
Hoit Joshua
Holden James
Holland John
Hollenback
Hollenback D.
Holmes Col.
Holmes David
Holmes James
Holmes Samuel
Hoogtaling Jacob
Hooper John, jr.
Hooper Stephen
Hoover Adam
Hople Henderick
Horton Elisha
Horton Gilbert Bud
Horton James
Horton Samuel
Hough John
Hough Stephen
Houser Frederick
Howard John
Howard Matthew
Hoxie
Hoy Richard
Hoyt David
Huested Jonathan
Huestis Lewis
Huff Henry
Huff Paul
Huff Stephen
Huggeford Dr.
Huggeford Peter
Hughsted Bishop
Hull Robert
Hunt Benjamin
Hunt Frederick
Hunt Joshua
Hunt Levi
Huntley Bethuel
Husted Jabes
Hustice Jonathan
Hustice Solomon
Hyatt John
Hyatt Thomas
Ingram Abijah
Ingram Benjamin
Ireland John
Isenhert Christopher
Jackson James
Jackson Samuel
Jacobs Richard
Jacocks William W.
Jager Lemuel
James Paul
James William
Jaidencock
Jaycock William
Jenkes Thomas
Jenkins Samuel
Jessup
Jessup Ebenezer
Jessup Edward
Jessup Joseph
Jewell Isaac A.
Johnson
Johnson (Lady)
Johnson Abraham
Johnson Guy, Col.
Johnson James
Johnson John (Sir)
Johnson John
Johnson Jonathan
Johnson Peter, Capt.
Johnson William (Sir)

Johnston Capt.
Johnston John
Johnston Jonathan
Jones Edward
Jones John
Jones Jonathan
Jones Jotham
Jones Philip
Kane John
Kater Hans
Keeler Job
Kempe John Tabor Atty & Advocate Gen.
Kennedy Robert
Ketchum Abijah
Kettle Andrew
Kimball Stephen
King Gideon
King John
Kipp Jacobus
Knapp Moses
Kniffen
Kniffen Daniel
Kniffen John
Kniffen Jonathan
Kober Adam
Kouck Philip
Kresler Hanse
Kresler Philip
Kronkhyte Abraham
Laight Edward
Lake Abraham
Lake I.
Lake N., jr.
Lamb James
Lane Peter
Lang John
Langdon Thomas
Lantman Henderick
Lards William
Lashle Alexander
Lassing Isaac
Lassing Isaac I.
Lassing Isaac P.
Lassing Johannes A.
Lassing Johannes E.
Lassing Johannes L.
Lassing Johannis Det.
Lassing Johannis P.
Lassing Johannis Wm.
Lassing John P.
Lassing John Peter Wm
Lassing Laurence L.
Lassing Peter Johannis
Lassing Peter John
Lassing Peter P.
Lawrence John
Lawrence Stephen
Lawrence William, Dr.
Lawson Jotham
Leake Robert
Leake Thomas
Lee Misper
Lent Abraham
Lent Adolph
Lent Herculis
Lent Isaac
Lent John
Lent Peter
Lentman John
Leonard James
LeRoy Francis
Leslie Alexander
Lester Cornelius
Lester John
Lester Mordecai
Lewis Benjamin
Lewis J.
Lewis John
Lewis Thomas
Litchart John, jr.
Livingston John
Lockwood Peter
Lockwood Solomon
Logan David
Loines Henry
Long David
Lorway J., Dr.
Losee George
Lossee Abraham
Lott John
Lotterage Robert
Loucks George
Lounsberry Henry
Lounsbury William
Low Jacob
Low John
Ludlow James
Luke (Mrs)
Lyng John B.
Lyon Gilbert
Lyon Henry
Lyon Joseph
Lyon Shubal
Mabbett Joseph S.
Mabbett Samuel
Mabie
Mabie Cornelius
Mabie Jacob
Mabie Jeremiah
Mabie Lewis
Mabie Peter
Mabie Silas
Mabie Simon
McAdams William
McAlpin Capt.
McAlpin Daniel
McAlpin Walter
McAuley Donald
McCarsan
McCarty John
McCollom John
McComb John
McCormick James
McCray William
McCree James
McDarne Randall
McDole John
McDonald Alexander
McDonald Allen
McDonald John
McDonald Rorey
McDonald T.
McDougal Allen
McDougall
McDowl Hugh
McGreger Peter
McGregor Jno
McGrewer John
McGruir Hugh
McHerrin Richard
Mackenzie Laudot
McKiel William
McKinney John
McLean Peter
McLeod Daniel
McLeod Don'd
McLeod Norman, Capt.
McLeod William
McMartin John
McMaster James
McMullin Dougal
McMullin Hugh
McNeal John
McNeal Thomas
McNight Malcom
McNutt David
McTaggert James
Madders
Manhart Philip
Mann I.
Mapes Joseph
Marker Hugh
Markle Joseph
Markwart Johannis
Marsellas H.
Martin Agrippa
Martin John
Martin Walter
Matheson James
Matrass Isaac
Mattes James
Matthews Fletcher
Matthews William
Mattice Hendrick
Mattice Johannis Nicholas
May William
Mead Ezekiel
Menzies Alexander
Menzines Alexander
Merkle Jacob
Merritt Cornberry
Merritt Daniel
Merritt Gilbert
Merritt Hackaliah
Merritt Nathaniel
Merritt Robert
Merritt Samuel
Merritt Thomas
Merritt Underhill
Merritt William
Merselus Hanse
Middagh Jacob
Miller Anthony
Miller Jacob
Miller John
Miller John A.
Miller Joseph
Miller Lyon
Miller N.
Miller Obadiah
Miller Peter
Miller William
Minthorne
Minthorne Mangel
Mitchell John
Mitchell Thomas
Mock Johannes
Monford David
Montross Peter
Moore Lambert
Moore Thomas
Moore William
Moorney Pat
Mordon Joseph
Morduff George
Morehouse Ezra
Morey Jonathan
Morgan Caleb
Morgan Caleb, jr.
Morison Alexander
Morrel John
Morrell Thomas
Morrill Benjamin
Morris Duncan
Morris Roger Maj. & Col., Council
Morrison John
Morrison Malcom
Mosher Hugh
Mosher Jonathan
Motrass Peter
Mott John
Mozer Christopher
Mulford
Mulford David
Mullen Dott
Mullen Peter
Munro Daniel
Munson George

Munson Nathaniel
Murphy Francis
Murry John
Murry Robert
Murry T.
Mutch Johannes
Myer William
Nailour Michael
Nation Black
Near Christian
Near Jacob
Nellis Henry
Nelson Riche
Nichollson David
Nichols Thomas
Nickerson Joseph
Noble Capt.
Noble Reubin
Nodine A.
Nodine B.
Nodine Peter
Oackley Peter
Oakley Benjamin
Oakley Timothy
Odell Daniel
Odell Joshua
Ogden Benjamin
Ogden Jehu
Ogden John
Ogden William
Olinus John
O'Neil James
Ore William
Orser Evert
Orser Isaac
Osborn Capt.
Osborn Nathan
Ostrander Peter
Ostrom Andries
Outwater
Outwater Dr.
Outwater Daniel
Owens Moses
Palmatier Peter
Palmatier Peter I.
Palmer David
Palmer Edmund
Palmer Edward
Palmer Lewis
Palmer William
Panter G.
Panter Philip
Panton Francis
Parent Jacob
Park Ryner
Parks James
Parret J.
Parrot I.
Partelow Amos
Pasent Jacob
Pasent John
Pasent Levy
Passing Lawrence L.
Patrick Adam
Patten
Pearce Richard
Pearce William
Peck Caleb
Peck James
Peemart Francis
Peers Alexander
Peers Samuel
Pemart
Penmart Teunis
Perry Samuel
Persons James
Peters Richard
Peters Thomas
Peterson Conradt
Peterson James
Phillips Adolphus
Phillipse Frederick, Col.
Philo Samuel
Phister I.
Pickel John
Pickins Robert
Pinckney Samuel
Pine Amos
Pitcher James
Planton John
Plats John
Poser Levy
Post
Post Frederick
Post Jacob
Post Teunis
Powel Jesse
Powell James
Powell John
Powell Solomon
Poucher Jacob
Preuner John
Proctor
Prosser Dr.
Purchas Thomas
Purchas William
Purdy Enoch
Purdy Gilbert
Purdy Hackaliah
Purdy Henry
Purdy Isiah
Purdy JaWinn Still
Purdy James
Purdy Jesse
Purdy Joseph
Purdy Joshua
Purdy Josiah
Purdy Jotham
Purdy Stephen
Purdy Still John
Purdy Timothy
Quackenboss Adrian
Queen Michael
Randall John
Ransier G.
Rapelyea Jacob
Rapelyea Thomas
Ray Robert
Reed Charles
Reed Leonard
Reid John
Reynolds Samuel
Rhinelander Frederick
Rhodes John
Rice John
Richardson John
Richardson Thomas
Rider Ebenezer
Rider Zadoc
Riley Dennis
Roberts Peter
Robertson Robert
Robins I.
Robinson Beverley
Robinson Beverley, jr.
Robinson Thomas
Robinson & Price
Roche William
Roebuck James
Rogers William
Roome John L. C.
Roosa Egbert
Roosa Guisbert
Roosa Jacobus
Rose Matthias
Rosenberger
Ross Daniel
Ross Philip
Ross William
Ross Zebulon
Row John Peter
Runnels Robert
Ruscraff Henry
Rush John
Russel John
Ruyter John
Rykert Barent
Rykerts Philip
Ryley Charles
Sabin Jeremiah, jr.
Salomon John
Salsberger James
Sammons Thomas
Sanford Ephraim
Sarls George
Savage Reuben
Savage Richard
Saxton William
Sayre James, Rev.
Schurman William
Scotsman
Scrivener Samuel
Scriver Peter
Seaman Adam
Seaman Benjamin
Seaman Israel
Seaman Silvanus
Secore Benjamin
See Abraham
See Jacobus
Seelye Ebenezer
Seelye Jacob
Segas John
Seperly Peter
Server Peter
Service Philip
Seymore Henry
Shafter John
Shannon Simeon
Sharp John
Sharp Peter
Sharp Richard
Sharpe Guysbert
Shaver Hanse
Shaver Philip
Shaw George
Shaw John
Shaw Moses
Sheek Christian
Sheldon Joseph
Shell John
Sherbrooke Miles
Sherman William
Sherwood Dyer
Sherwood Stephen
Sherwood William
Shipton William
Shirid Thomas
Shulop Henry
Shultes John
Siefer Lodovick
Simmons James
Simmons Maurice
Simson Alexander
Simson Isabel
Skeans Governeur
Skeans M.
Skene Philip, Maj.
Skinner Saml Spencer
Slingerlant Teunis
Slocum William
Slutts John
Slutts Michael
Sluyter James
Smith Austin
Smith Benjamin
Smith Christopher
Smith Daniel
Smith Isaac
Smith J.

Smith Jacob
Smith John
Smith Joseph
Smith Joshua H.
Smith Reuben
Smith Samuel
Smith Stephen
Smith Thomas
Smith William
Snedeker Richard
Snedeker Theodorus
Sneden Robert
Sneden Stephen
Snell Robert
Snider
Snider John
Snider Peter
Snider Simon
Snider William
Sniffen Caleb
Sniffen Jonathan
Sniffin Shubal
Soles Howland
Solis Benjamin
Spencer Hedley
Spoolman Henry
Sprage Thomas
Springer William
Springstaed John
Square B.
Stalker Stephen
Staples J.
Staples Jacob
Staples John
Steenbergh William
Steenburgh Fleming
Steenburgh Simeon
Steenrod Cornelius
Stener Caspar
Stevens Eliphalet
Stevens Josiah
Stewart Walter
Stimes Jasper
Stipper Peter
Stocker Stephen
Storm
Storm Gilbert
Storm Henry
Story Zachariah
Stout Benjamin
Stover Martinus
Straught John
Street Timothy
Sturd Dr.
Stuyvesant Peter
Summers Peter
Sunderland Jacob
Sutton Caleb
Sutton William
Sutts John
Swart Joshuah
Swart Josiah
Swart Peter
Sybles Robert
Talmage
Teakle John
Ten Brook Peter
Terborney P.
Terbush Jacob
Terril Anthony
Terrill Daniel
Terwilleger Moses
Theal Charles
Theal Ebenezer
These Jacob
Therston John
Thompson John
Thorne Robert
Thousand M.
Tibble John
Tice Gilbert
Tidd Benjamin
Tidd Samuel
Tiehout William
Tilleback Christian
Tilman John
Tissell James
Tissot Gideon
Titchort Gideon
Tobias Christian
Tobias Joseph
Tomkins Israel
Tong Joshua
Totten James
Totten Jonas
Totten Joseph
Townsend Epenetus (Parson)
Townsend John
Townsend Uriah
Traver
Travis Jeremiah
Travis William
Tredwell Capt.
Tredwell Samuel
Tucker Daniel
Turnbull Robert
Turner John
Underhill Frederick
Underhill John
Underhill Nathaniel
Underhill Nathaniel, jr.
Underhill William
Ustick Henry
Ustick William
Vail John
Vail Moses
Van Allen John
Van Alstyne Peter
Van Cleaf John
Van de Car James
Van de Voort John
Van de Warken Elbert
Van den Bergh Henry
Van den Bergh Peter
Van den Bergh Richard
Van der Heyden Dirck
Van der Voort John
Van deusen Conradt, Col.
Van Dreson James
Van Dyke Francis
Van Kleeck Barent
Van Noostrant George
Van Noostrant John
Van Nourst John
Van Valkenburgh John
Van Valkenburgh William
Van Vourst John
Van Wagenen Hans
Van Wagenen James
Van Wart Jacob
Van Wiers Henry
Van Woort John
Vartman
Velthuysen John
Venkell G.
Vermilers John
Vermillier Benjamin
Vincent Charles
Vinson John
Visscher
Vredenbergh John W.
Wacken John
Wacker James
Waddle William
Wager Frederick
Wagner John
Wagstaff William
Waight Jonathan
Wallace Jonathan
Wallace William
Walldorph Martin
Walsworth
Walter Martin
Walter Philip
Wanaker Conradus
Wanamaker Dirick
Wansor Thomas
Ward
Ward Edmond
Ward Edmund
Ward Israel
Ward John
Warner Michael
Warner Thomas
Warning F.
Washborn Isaac
Washborn Jonathan
Waterburry Sylvanus
Waters John
Watson James
Weatherhead John
Weaver
Weaver Johannes
Weaver John
Weed Solomon
Weeks Stephen
Weeks William
Wemple Andrew
Westbrook Anthony
Wexton John
Wheaton Daniel
Wheeler George
White Alexander
White Sybert
White Sylvanus
Whitmore
Whitney Nathan
Wickwire Jonathan
Wiggins Stephen
Wilcox
Wilcox Hazard
Williams Abraham
Williams Benjamin
Williams Frederick
Williams Isaac
Williams John
Williams William
Wilmot Lemuel
Wilson G.
Wilson I.
Wilson James
Wilson Jonathan
Wilson Joseph
Wilson Jotham
Wilton James
Wing David
Winn Joseph
Winne Jacob
Winterton William
Wood Frederick
Wood Solomon
Wood Stephen
Woods Thomas
Woolcomb Joseph
Worden John
Wright Jacob
Wright Jonathan
Wright Uriah
Yates
Yates Richard
Yerukes Isaac
Yourmans Arthur
Yourmans John
Yourmans Thomas
Young Adam
Young Frederick
Young John

THE COMMISSIONERS OF SPECIE

The Legislature, Oct. 14, 1780, authorized the Governor to appoint Commissioners to Procure a Sum in Specie for the Redemption of one sixth of the Bills emitted under the act of the Congress of Mar. 18, 1780. They were also to dispose of Forfeited Lands. It was, further, provided that when the Commissioners of Specie began to act, the Commissioners of Forfeitures should thereupon cease to sell Lands, except those already advertised for Sale. The Commissioners of Specie, therefore, became a sort of connecting link between the Commissioners of Sequestration and the Commissioners of Forfeitures. They were: David Gelston, John Lansing, jr., Jonathan Lawrence, John H. Sleght and Christopher Yates. In some of the documents, they are incorrectly called Commissioners of Forfeitures.

The Commissioners were paid £1.4.0 for each day of actual attendance upon the meetings. The proceeds of their Sales of Forfeited Estates were paid into the State Treasury, either in Dollars or in Pounds of the " New Emission ". The Accounts of Messrs. Lawrence and Sleght showed that, in 1781 and 1782, they received £980 in Specie, and £8422 in New Emission, for the Sales of Forfeited Estates. The Accounts of Messrs Yates and Lansing showed an apparent total of £8348.8.0 for such Sales; and another Account, from August, 1781, to February, 1783, recorded receipts and payments of £9343 in bills of the New Emission. Mr. Lansing also made searches for Incumbrances in the Clerk's Office; drew Maps of the Lands sold; copied and revised the list of persons attainted, the times when indicted, in what Court, and the days to which the attainders referred.

THE COMMISSIONERS OF FORFEITURES

These Officials sold the real estate of Tories and others who had either gone over to the Enemy or were suspected of not being friendly to the American Cause. They were much more systematic in their Accounts than the Commissioners of Sequestration who dealt, for the most part, with personal property. The Commissioners of Forfeitures also received and paid over to the State Treasurer, Certificates issued by the Auditors to Liquidate and Settle the Accounts of the Troops of this State. Some of the proceeds of the Commissioners helped the Poor. (See The Poor who came out of New York City, in the Chapter on "The Provincial Congresses").

The Committee of Safety, Mar. 1, 1777, passed a Resolution relative to the Commissioners of Forfeitures. Doubts having arisen in regard to the bearing of this Resolution upon the State Treasurer, a law was passed for the removal of such doubts. The Treasurer acknowledged the receipt of over £9000 under this Resolution, between May 11, 1777, and July 1, 1779. This he describes as "Monies due to Persons who were within the Enemies Lines, or out of the State; or to Persons who had refused to receive Contin'l Money". During a part of June, 1779, and thereafter, the Treasurer declined tenders of Depreciated Money because of his doubts regarding the Resolution, noted above.

The work of the Commissioners of Forfeitures did not begin till late in the War. The law of Oct. 22, 1779, really started the work by giving the names of many individuals whose property had been attainted. The law of Mar. 10, 1780, directed the Commissioners to sell property of this sort at once. On May 12, 1784, the Governor was authorized to appoint seven Commissioners. The office of Commissioner of Forfeitures was abolished, Mar. 21, 1788; and all the powers pertaining thereto were given to the Surveyor-General, Simeon De Witt. He had authority to sell all Lands Forfeited to the State. His Accounts show that the purchasers paid for the Lands in Certificates of these kinds, Levy, Depreciation, Claim and Principal.

The law of Apr. 11, 1792, repealed the law of Oct. 22, 1779, so that those named in the latter might return; but the law did not affect the status of their property. On Dec. 18, 1792, a law was passed for the relief of several of the individuals whose property had been taken.

The State Treasurer, in August 1794, stated that he had received £109005.11.0 1/4 in Claims against Forfeited Estates which had been liquidated and lodged in the Treasury.

For convenience, the State was divided into these Districts:— Eastern, Middle, Southern and Western.

The Eastern District included the Counties of Charlotte, Cumberland and Gloucester. The Commissioners were David Hopkins and Alexander Webster. They were paid 24/— per day, and they were assisted by many Appraisers. Hopkins' Sales, from October to December, 1784, were £9982.2.0; in 1785, £6113.19.3; and, in 1787–1788, £584.17.3. Webster's sales, in

1786, were £4160.4.7 1/2, and £21149.10.1. The amount of their joint Sales was about £40000. They were given Levy Notes or Depreciation Notes for the purchase of Lands; and they turned the same over to the State Treasurer.

The Middle District comprised the Counties of Dutchess, Orange and Ulster. Samuel Dodge, Daniel Graham and John Hathorn were the Commissioners. Their pay was 24/— per day. (See law of May 12, 1784). The Accounts show that their expenses were £2707.9.3. from Apr. 9, 1780 to Apr. 30, 1785. Graham's Sales, from July, 1785, to May, 1786, were £3075. The Sales, apparently, reached a total of £64363.8.6, those in Dutchess County being larger than in the other two Counties put together. They paid into the State Treasury the following kinds of Notes:— Curtenius' Barber's Levy, Loan Office, Horse and State Agents'.

The Southern District, in charge of Commissioners Isaac Stoutenburgh and Philip Van Cortlandt, included the Counties of Kings, New York, Queens, Richmond, Suffolk and Westchester. Among their papers is a Resolution of the Convention, Feb. 11, 1777, which describes William Lounsbury as "one of the persons concerned in Spikeing the Cannon at Kingsbridge & who afterwards joined the Enemy and was slain".

The Commissioners paid to the State Treasurer Depreciation Notes, as well as all the other kinds of Notes named in the Middle District, above — all of which were received from the purchasers of Lands. In 1788 and 1789, the Treasurers of the Counties of Queens, Suffolk and Richmond paid to the State Treasurer Certificates issued for Claims against Forfeited Estates, the same being receivable under the Tax law of Mar. 9, 1788. The total of Sales was £502709; of which the Estates of Col. Frederick Phillipse brought £107532; and those of James De Lancey, £113144. The Commissioners paid into the State Treasury many State Agent's Certificates for Notes due to Col. Phillipse. (See law of Nov. 11, 1784); and his Slaves were the cause of many Accounts sent in by the Supervisors of Westchester County. The Slaves owned by persons whose property had been forfeited often became a charge upon the several Counties, and the bills for their support were sent to the State. (See law of Mar. 2, 1792).

In the Western District, the Commissioners were Jacob G. Klock, Henry Oothoudt, Jeremiah Van Rensselaer and Christopher Yates. The District contained the Counties of Albany and Tryon. Their Accounts are much more complete than the Accounts in the other three Districts. In 1785, they were paid 5/— per day; but this had risen to 24/—, in 1787. On account of the large area of the District, they had many bills for Surveyors, Chain-Bearers, Boats and Provisions. They gave over to the State Treasurer the following kinds of Certificates which they had received for the purchase of Lands:— State Agent's, Depreciation, Levy and Loan; also Barber's Notes and Horse Notes.

In Albany County, Certificates for Claims against Forfeited Estates were paid into the State Treasury on account of Taxes, pursuant to the laws of Apr. 11, 1787 and Mar. 19, 1788. In the documents relating to Tryon County there are many Mortgages, executed before the War to parties whose Estates were afterward Forfeited. There are also many of the original Deeds, given by the Commissioners and by the Surveyor General to purchasers of Forfeited Lands.

The following papers, relating to the Estates of James DeLancey, Col. Frederick Phillipse and Col. William Bayard, are among the records of the Commissioners of the Southern District.

This was the usual form of a Claim against a Forfeited Estate:—

City of
New York SS.

I Richard Morris Esquire chief Justice of the State of New York, do hereby certify and make known to whom it may Concern that on the petition of James Duane of the said City Esquire in pursuance of an Act of the Legislature of the Said State entitled, "An Act for the Speedy sale of the confiscated and forfeited Estates within this State and for other purposes therein mentioned" passed the 12th of May 1784 — I Have examined and heard and according to equity and good Conscience determined the Claim and Demand which the said James Duane hath and doth make against the forfeited Estate of James DeLancey late of the City of New York Esquire

And I do thereupon certify that the Sum of three Hundred and forty Six pounds Sixteen Shillings and two pence current money of the State of New York appears to me to be due from the said James DeLancey Esquire to the said James Duane. In witness whereof I the said Chief Justice have hereunto set my hand this Seventeenth day of September in the Year of our Lord one thousand Seven hundred and eighty eight.

To Gerard Bancker Esq. Treasurer of the State of New York. Rd. Morris

Claims were also made for book-accounts:—

State of
New York SS:

I Richard Morris Chief Justice of the State of New York in consequence of an application to me made by Samuel Fraunces of the City of New York.

Innkeeper pursuant to the directions contained in an Act of the Legislature of the State of New York entitled an Act for the Speedy Sale of confiscated Estates within this State and for other purposes therein mentioned passed the twelfth day of May One thousand seven hundred and eighty four do hereby certify that the said Samuel Frances did on the Seventh day of August Instant produce to me in writing a certain account against Frederick Phillips late of Westchester County Esquire from which Account there appeared to be due to the said Samuel Fraunces from the said Frederick Phillips the Sum of Twenty seven Pounds Six Shillings & six pence and the said Samuel Frances being by me duly sworn on the holy Evangelists of Almighty God did then and there depose & say, that the aforesaid Account by him so exhibited as aforesaid was Just and true as appeared from the Books of the said Samuel Fraunces therewith by him the Said Samuel Fraunces examined and diligently compared, which said Books he did also produce and further did depose and Say that they were the proper Books of Accounts of him the said Samuel Fraunces and that the aforesaid Sum of Twenty-seven pounds six Shillings & six pence is now Justly due and owing to him the said Samuel Fraunces & was due & owing to him from the said Frederick Phillips at and before the ninth day of July One Thousand seven hundred and seventy six, and that he hath not directly or indirectly received any part or parcel thereof or any consideration therefor Whereupon I having examined the said accounts and Books do Certify pursuant to the directions contained in the Act aforesaid that the sum of Twenty seven pounds six Shillings & six pence appear to be due from the said Frederick Phillips to the said Samuel Fraunces for Principal and that the Interest thereof to the present day amounts to twenty two pounds Nineteen Shillings.

Dated this Seventh day of August AD 1788

Rd. Morris

To Gerard Bancker Esqr. Treasurer of the State of New York.

Col. Phillipse lived in Yonkers, and his Manor house is now the City Hall of that City. He died in England; and his tomb in the Cathedral at Chester is one of the attractions of that noble building. The Book-Accounts of, and small debts owing to, Beverly Robinson are very numerous.

Claims were extinguished in this way:—

At a meeting of the Commissioners for extinguishing Claims against the State for lands sold under the Authority thereof, the Title to which has failed, held at the City of Albany on Tuesday the 24th day of August, 1813 —

Present — Simeon DeWitt, Surveyor General, Archibald McIntyre, Comptroller Abraham Van Vechten, Attorney Genl.

Robert Bogardus made application for compensation for Certain Lots & Parcels of lots of ground heretofore sold by the Commissioners of Forfeitures for the Southern District of this State to George Fisher, deemed to have been forfeited by the Attainder of James DeLancey, Esquire, & described as situate in the Outward of the City of New York, with reference to a Map made by Evert Bancker of the said City Surveyor of part of the real estate of the said James DeLancey.

On examination of the Applicant's claim it appears.

1. That the said Commissioners, on the thirtieth day of May in the year One thousand Seven hundred & eighty five, sold & conveyed twenty three lots of ground, situated in the then OutWard of the said City to the said George Fisher for the consideration of Five Hundred & Eighty eight Pounds & described the same in the said Conveyance, numerically by Lots Nos. 1899 to 1921, inclusive, of Square No. 73, with reference to a Map made by the said Evert Bancker, of part of the real estate of the said James DeLancey and bounded northerly by the Southerly bounds of Peter Stuyvesant.

2. That the said Evert Bancker by mistake laid out some of said Lots & parts of others, North of the southerly bounds of the said Peter Stuyvesant, by reason whereof the title of the said George Fisher to such of the said lots & parts of lots as are situate north of Stuyvesant's Southerly bounds has failed.

3. That the lots & parts of lots so conveyed being within Stuyvesant's bounds amount in quantity to six lots.

4. That George Fisher died prior to the Year One Thousand Eight hundred, leaving John E. Fisher, Eleanor Fisher the wife of James B. Clarke & Maria Fisher the wife of Peter Clarke his heirs at Law.

5. That by a deed of partition, made & executed between the said Heirs on the twenty sixth day of June One Thousand Eight hundred, the said John E. Fisher & James B. Clarke & Eleanor his wife released & conveyed all their right & title to the whole of the aforesaid lots to the said Peter Clarke & Maria his wife in fee.

6. That the said Peter Clarke & his said wife, on the eighth day of June in the year One thousand Eight hundred & four, released & conveyed their Right & Title to the same lots in fee to the applicant.

The applicant has therefore a just claim to compensation for the lands so as aforesaid sold & conveyed under the authority of the State, the title to which has failed in the manner aforesaid, which according to the price paid therefor to the State amounts to Three Hundred & Eighty-three dollars & forty eight cents, to which interest must be added at the rate of six per cent per Annum from the thirtieth day of May One Thousand Seven hundred & eighty five, making in the whole One Thousand & thirty two dollars & Ninety nine Cents.

Whereupon Resolved, if the person administering the Government shall approve therof, that upon the Applicants Sealing & delivering to the Comptroller a full release of his Right, Title & Interest in & to such of the said Lots & parts of lots as are situate North of Stuyve-

sant's Southerly bounds, duly proven or acknowledged, the Comptroller shall draw his Warrant on the Treasurer in favor of the Applicant for the sum of One Thousand & thirty two dollars & ninety nine cents.

Simeon DeWitt, Surv'r-Gen'l
Archibald W. McIntyre, Comp'r
Ab. VanVechten Atty. General

1813. August 12. I assent to and approve of the above proceedings.
Daniel D. Tompkins. [Governor]

The papers relating to the Forfeited Estate of Col. William Bayard are voluminous. The final settlement of the State with his heirs is of more than usual interest:—

State of New York Ss. George Stanton of the City of New York being duly sworn deposeth and saith that he is well acquainted with the Lots Buildings and Docks described in the within Schedule — That they are Lots and Water Lots which in the year one thousand seven hundred and eighty three belonged to the Estate of William Bayard Esquire, late of the City of New York deceased and upon which great improvements have since been made — That the Deponent together with George Gosman of the Said City of New York hath examined and valued said Lots Buildings and Docks, and the annual rents thereof, and that the valuations thereof contained in the within schedule are just and true, according to the best of his judgment and belief — and that the aggregate value of the said Lots Buildings and docks, if any thing, exceeds the sum of one hundred and four thousand seven hundred and eighty dollars, and that the aggregate annual value of the said Rents if any thing exceeds the sum of six thousand seven hundred and twenty two Dollars —

The above named George Gosman being also duly sworn deposeth and saith that he is well acquainted with the Lots and Buildings and Docks described in the said within Schedule and that this Deponent together with George Stanton aforesaid hath examined and valued the said Lots buildings and docks and the annual Rents thereof and that the valuations thereof contained in the said within Schedule are just and true according to the best of this Deponent's Judgement and belief — He further saith that the aggregate value of the said Lots Buildings and Docks if any thing exceeds the sum of one hundred and four thousand seven hundred and eighty dollars; and that the aggregate annual value of the said rents if any thing, exceeds the sum of six thousand seven hundred and twenty two dollars —

Sworn the 27th
December 1805 before
Thomas Cooper
Master in Chancery

George Stanton
George Gosman

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS that We Catharine Bayard of the City of London in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Widow of William Bayard Deceased formerly of the Province of New York in North America but at the time of his Death of Southampton in Hampshire in the Said United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and Alida Johnston of Southampton aforesaid, Widow of Colonel Boulter Johnson of the same place deceased, HAVE made, ordained constituted and appointed and by these presents DO make ordain Constitute and appoint William Bayard of the City of New York in the United States of America Gentlemen to be our and each of our true and lawful Attorney, hereby giving and deputing unto him full power and authority for us and each of us, and in our or either of our name or names and for our joint or separate use to enter upon and take possesion of all and Singular the Lands tenements and hereditaments whereof We are seized, Possesed of or entitled unto jointly or Severally within the United States of America, and the Same or any part thereof to grant bargain, Sell and dispose of, for Cash or upon Credit at his discretion and to Sign and Seal, and as his Act and Deed and the act and Deed of us or either of us to deliver any Deed or Deeds for the granting Conveying and assuring of

the same to the purchaser or purchasers thereof whether in fee Simple or for term of years or otherwise, and to receive and Sign receipts for the Consideration money thereupon, or in our and either of our names and for our use to take and receive Bonds, Mortgages or other Securities for the Said Consideration money, and the monies thereby Secured, or which are or may be otherwise due and owing to us or either of us within the Said United States, to ask, demand Sue for, and by all lawful ways and means recover and receive, and for that purpose in our or either of our names to institute any Suit or Suits at Law or in Equity, and to appear in all Courts and before all Judges and Justices to prosecute and defend the same, and upon receipt of such monies to grant proper acquitances and discharges thereof. ALSO upon payment of the monies to become due upon any Such mortgages for us and in our names or in the names of either of us to appear before any Judge, Master in Chancery or other Officers thereunto duly Authorized, and to acknowledge Satisfaction of Such mortgage or mortgages to the end that the same may be cancelled of record; AND We do hereby further Authorize and empower our Said Attorney for us and each of us and in our or either of our names to commence and prosecute any proper action or actions, Suit or Suits at Law or in Equity for the purpose of recovering possesion of all or any of the Lands and premises aforesaid, or of foreclosing and extinguishing any right of redemption which any person or persons in Virtue of Such Mortgage or Mortgages or otherwise has or have or may hereafter have in the Same or any part thereof; AND ALSO by writing under his Hand and Seal to make and Substitute one or more Attorney or Attornies under him for all or any of the purposes aforesaid and with the like or more limited powers, and the Same again at pleasure to revoke: AND GENERALLY to do and transact whatever shall be needful in the premises as amply and effectually to all intents and purposes as we or either of us could do or transact the Same. HEREBY ratifying and confirming and agreeing to ratify and confirm all and whatsoever our said Attorney or his Substitute or Substitutes Shall lawfully do or cause to be done in and concerning the premises, by the Virtue of these presents.

In Witness Whereof We have hereunto Set our Hands and Seals this 10th: day of July in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and Six.

Sealed and Delivered — Catharine Bayard
In the presence of us — Aleda Johnston

The words "joint or Separate" between the eleventh and twelfth lines and the word "have" between the Seventh and eighth lines of this Page being first interlined — and the obliteration in the Sixth line of this Page being first made.

Thomas Vose
Thomas Stafford

Sealed and delivered by Mrs. Aleda Johnson, the Twenty fourth day of July 1806 (the above alterations having been first made) in the presence of

Wm. Smith Mayor of Southampton
George Rogers Gent Southampton

State of New York Ss. On the 10th of October 1806 before me came Thomas Vose, Known to me, who on oath before me made did say that he saw Catharine Bayard and Aleda Johnston execute the within Power of Attorney and that the Deponent and Thomas Strafford subscribed their names as Witnesses thereto — that the Deponent knew the said Catharine Bayard and Aleda Johnston and that they were the Persons of those names described in the said Power of Attorney — which is to me satisfactory Evidence — there being therein no material Erasures or Interlineations except as noted, I allow it to be recorded.

Thomas Cooper
Master in Chancery.

Recorded in the office of Clerk of the City and County of New York in Lib. No. 74 of Conveyances &c. page 8 this 15 day of January 1807 — T. Wortman
Clerk.

Know all Men by these presents That I Catharine Bayard at present of the City of London in the United Kingdom of Great Britain & Ireland Widow of William Bayard formerly of the City of New York in the then Province now State of New York deceased by William Bayard of the said City & State of New York my Attorney, for and in consideration of the Sum of Six Thousand Dollars to me paid by the People of the State of New York the Receipts whereof is hereby acknowledged, have Remised Released & Quit Claimed and by these presents do Remise Release and Quit Claim, unto the People of the State of New York, All my Dower Thirds, Rights or Title of Dower, which I the said Catharine Bayard have or may Claim of in or to all & singular the Lands Tenements & Hereditaments situate within the State of New York, whereof the said William Bayard deceased my late Husband, was seized at any time during my Coverture; and of all Action and Actions, Claims and Demands by reason thereof, so that the People of the State of New York and their Assigns shall be forever Released exonerated & discharged of and from the same — In Testimony whereof I have here unto set my Hand & Seal this fifteenth day of January in the Year of our Lord one Thousand Eight Hundred & Seven —

Catharine Bayard
by
Wm. Bayard her Attorney

Sealed and delivered in the presence
of David A. Ogden
Thomas Cooper

State of New York On the 16th January 1807 before me came William Bayard of the City of New York in the State of New York, Known to me to be the Person thus described in the within Release of Dower who did acknowledge that he had as the Attorney of and for Catharine Bayard therein named executed the said Release of Dower by issuing sealing and delivering the same in the Name and as and for the Deed of the said Catharine Bayard — I allow it to be recorded

Thomas Cooper
Master in Chancery

1807. Jany. Rec^d. from the People of the State of New York, the Sum of Six Thousand Dollars being the consideration Money mentioned in the preceeding Release —

Witness —

Catharine Bayard
by her Attorney
Wm Bayard.

I approve of the Release written within
John Woodworth Atty. Genl.

New York Ss. William Bayard of the City and State of New York Merchant, aged Forty five Years, being duly sworn saith. That he is one of the Children of William and Catharine Bayard formerly of the City of New York in the then Province now state of New York — That the said William Bayard departed this Life at South Hampton in the Kingdom of England on the 24th; day of December in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight hundred & four, as he had been informed by Letters from different Branches of the Family, also as Deponent has been informed from general reputation, and as the Deponent verily believes — That the said William Bayard and Catharine Bayard the Father and Mother of this Deponent did live and cohabit together as Husband and Wife from the earliest period of this Deponents recollection until the decease of the said William Bayard. That the said Catharine Bayard is now living as the Deponent verily believes and is of the Age of about Seventy two Years and no more.— That this Deponent has derived his information as to the Age of the said Catharine Bayard from the family and believes the same to be correct.— The Deponent further said that he doth verily believe that his Father William Bayard was seized of the several Lots pieces and parcels of Land specified in a certain Appraizement made by George Stanton and George Gosman (on the Twenty seventh day of December in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight hundred & five) at the period of his Attainder for adhering to the King of Great Britain.— And of various other Tracts pieces or parcels of Land not included in such Appraizement.— The Deponent further said that from certain Memorandums made by the said William Bayard deceased, and from certain Conveyances now in the possesion of this Deponent, it does appear that the said William Bayard was seized and in the actual Possesion of the Premisses specified in the said Appraizement under the following

Conveyances.— That is to say, To Lot No. 157, in Pearl (formerly Queen) Street, By Conveyance from Charles W. Althorp & Mary his Wife — dated 16th. May 1755.— To Lots 55 & 57, Water (formerly Little Dock) Street.— To Lots 60. 61. 62 & 63 — Front Street — 30 & 31 South Street, and to the Dock & Water, By the following Conveyances, that is to say, One thereof from William Pagan — dated 30th. Septbr. 1766 — One thereof from Stephen Bayard, dated 20th. April 1751. And by a Grant from the Corporation of the City of New York dated 13th. Novbr. 1772 — To Lots Nos. 39 & 41 Pearl (formerly Queen) Street, by Conveyances from Benjamen Moore & Wife & John Cregier & Wife to the said William Bayard deceased, the first there of dated 1 Febry 1750.— and the other thereof dated 5th. June 1756.— To Lot No. 17, Bridge (formerly Wynekoop) Street, by Conveyance dated 18th. Novbr. 1759, — from the said Benjamen Moore.— The Release for which last mentioned Lot, by a memorandum in the hand writing of the said Wiliam Bayard deceased, appeared to have been left by him with other Deeds to be recorded with Golsbrow Banyar Esqr., but the Lease for the Transfering the use into the Possession of the said William Bayard deceased & dated the 17th. Novbr. 1759. This Deponent hath in his possesion.— The Deponant further said that the Remaining Lots, on Pieces of Ground specified in the said Appraizement as situate at Greenwich Two Milles distant from the City of New York, were granted by Simon Johnson & Wife to the said William Bayard by Indenture bearing date, the 29th., October 1760.—

Wm. Bayard.

Sworn to before me at the City-Hall of the City of New York this 16th Day of Jany. 1807.
Jacob DelaMontassue Special Justice

State of New York Ss. William Bayard of the City of New York Merchant being again sworn further Deposeth & saith, that the several pieces of ground & premises mentioned in his preceeding deposition, were sold by the Commissioner of Forfeitures for the Southern District of the State of New York, as property which had belonged to his Father William Bayard & forfeited to the said State by his Attainder, & further the Deponent saith not.

Sworn this 23rd. day of February 1807. Wm. Bayard.
Before me Jacob DelaMontassue Special Justice

At a meeting of the Commissioners for extinguishing Claims on the day of February 1807.

Present.—

Simeon DeWitt, Surveyor General
Archibald McIntyre, Comptroller
John Woodworth, Attorney General

Catharine Bayard presented her Claim to this Board for compensation in extinguishment of her right of Dower of and in certain Messuages and Lots of Ground in the City of New York, alledging that She was the wife of William Bayard late of the Said City who was convicted of adhering to the Enemies of the People of this State and his property thereby confiscated and sold by the Commissioners of Forfeitures.

The following facts appear .....

1st. The Said William Bayard was attainted by act of the Legislature on the 22d. October 1799.

2d. It appears by the affidavit of William Bayard of the City of New York Merchant that before and at the time of the attainder the Said Catharine Bayard was the wife of the said William Bayard that they cohabited together until about the 24th. day of December 1804 when the Said William Bayard died, it also appears by the Said affidavit that Catharine Bayard is living and of the age of about 72 Years, that the Said William Bayard at the time of his attainder was seized of the following Lots and Parcels of Land in the City of New York, Viz. Lots No 157, 39, 41, in Pearl Street, No. 55, 57, in Water Street, No. 60, 61, 62, 63 in Front Street No. 30, 31 in South Street also one other Lot in South Street now owned and occupied by John Suydam Lot No. 17 in Bridge Street, also certain other Lots at Greenwich on which

are erected the dwelling House and outhouse of the deponent William Bayard, also the Lots at Greenwich on which are erected the dwelling Houses of Mrs. Elder and Mrs. Cameron.

3d. The Premises above described were sold by the Commissioners of forfeitures of the Southern district as the property whereof William Bayard was seized at the time of his attainder.

4th. It appears by an appraisment made on the 26th day of December 1805 by George Stanton and George Gosman under oath that the rent or Yearly Value of the preceeding Lots and premises amounts to $6722 and the total Value $104,780.

5th. Mrs. Bayard is entitled to Dower in other Lands situate in different parts of this State, but has offered to execute a Release of all her right of Dower to which she is entitled as the wife of the Said William Bayard who was attainted for the Sum of $6000.

This Board having considered the Said Claim, do thereupon Resolve that in case the Person administering the Government of this State, shall approve hereof that the Sum of $6000 be paid to the Said Catharine Bayard on her releasing to the People of this State her right of Dower of and in the premises above described and of and in all other Lands and Tenements within this State whereof the Said William Bayard was seized at the time of his attainder, And that the Comptroller draw his warrant on the Treasurer in favor of the Said Catharine Bayard for the Said Sum of $6000.

Archd. McIntyre Comptr.
Simeon DeWitt, Surveyor Genl.
John Woodworth Atty Genl.

I do consent to and approve the above Adjustment & Settlement of the Claim of Dower of Catharine Bayard

Morgan Lewis [Governor]

This is the usual form of a deed of Forfeited Property given by the Commissioners of Forfeitures in the Western District:—

THIS INDENTURE, made the Twentyninth Day of August in the Thirteenth Year of the Independence of the State of New York, and in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty-eight — BETWEEN Henry Oothoudt and Jeremiah Van Rensselaer, Esquires, two of the Commissioners of Forfeitures for the Western District, appointed in pursuance of an ACT of the Legislature of the said State, entitled, "An Act for the speedy Sale of the confiscated and forfeited Estates within this State, and for other Purposes therein mentioned," of the one Part, and Stephen Ward of the County of Westchester Esquire, of the other Part, WITNESSETH, That the said Commissioners, by Virtue of the Power and Authority to them, in and by the said Act granted, and for, and in Consideration of the Sum of Two hundred and fifty Pounds, by the said Stephen Ward to them paid, Have granted, bargained, sold, enfeoffed, and confirmed; and by these Presents, DO grant, bargain, sell, enfeoff and confirm unto the said Stephen Ward, and to his Heirs and Assigns, ALL That Certain Lot of Lands situate lying and being in the County of Montgomery on the north side of the Mohawk River in a Patent heretofore granted to the late Sir William Johnson known by the name of Kingsland or Royal Grant which said Lot is distinguished by Number Ninety three in the fourth Allotment of said Patent made by the said Commissioners and Begins at the South west Corner of Lot Number One hundred and nine and runs from thence as the needle pointed in the year one thousand seven hundred and fifty-six south forty chains then West fifty chains then north forty chains and then East fifty chains to the place of Beginning Containing Two hundred Acres be the same more or less Deemed to have become forfeited by the Attainder of Sir John Johnson late of the County of Tryon Knight and Baronet ——— and all and singular the Estate, Right, Title, and Interest, whether in possession, reversion, or remainder, of, in, or to the said Premises, which, in Consequence of any Attainder or Conviction, is become forfeited, or attached to, or vested in the People of the said State. To have and to hold, all, and singular the said Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, and Premises, hereby granted, bargained, sold, enfeoffed and confirmed, with the Appurtenances unto the said Stephen Ward, and to his Heirs and Assigns, to the only proper Use and Behoof of the said Stephen Ward and his Heirs and

Assigns forever. IN WITNESS whereof, the said Parties to these Presents, have hereunto interchangeably set their Hands and Seals, the Day and Year first above written.

Sealed and Delivered in the Presence of

Matthew Watson — Hen^y. Oothoudt

Jos^t. Bogart — Jer VRensselaer

The Sales of the Commissioners of the Western District were as follows:— 1780, £303626; 1781, £457641; 1784, £37320; 1785–1786, £176471; 1787–1788, £137592. This is one of their Accounts:—

Account of Certificates Received by the Commissioners of Forfeitures of the Western district for the Sale of Confiscated Lands Agreable to an Act entitled an Act to Liquidate and Settle the Accounts of the Troops in this State in the Service of the United States.

From Whom Received	on What Account	Amount	When Receivd	Amount	Receivd with Interest
Lieu^t: William Colbreath.	A house and lot of Ground in the Second Ward of the City of Albany Late the property of James Furnival of the City of Albany Tavernkeeper, Appraised at	£ 150	7 Feby 1781	6 1/4 M° Interest	£ 150. 3.18.
Lieu^t Nathaniel Henry.	Part of lot N° 11 in the division of Provincial patent Containing 110 Acres late the property of John Hogill of the district of Cambridge Yeoman Appraised at	330	20th Febr^y	6 1/2 M° Interest	329.15. 8 8.18. 3
John Herroun of Camb^ge. yeom^n.	Lot N° 26 in the division of Hosick patent between the heirs of James Van Cortlant dec^d: Lat the property of Henry White now or late a Member of the Council of the Colony of New York Esqr: Appraised at	234	2 March	7 M° Interest	227.12. 5 6.12. 5
Lieu^t William Colbreath	2 Lots of land in Pitts Town known by the Name of Lot N° 24 and 75. Estimated Each at 105 Acres late the property of Robert Leake of the County of Albany Gentleman Appraised at.	168	21 March	8 M° Interest	166. 4. 9 5.10. 8
Sergeant Hugh Lacey NYork	A house & lot of Ground in the first ward of the City of Albany Late the property of Dennis Gibbons of the City of Albany — Baker Appraised at	66	4 April	8 M° Interest	47.19. 1.12.
		£ 948			£ 948. 2.10

Estates Forfeited

The Military and Civil Titles, given in this list, had been granted under the Colony, before the War:—

Ackerson Garret
Ackerson John
Ackerson Matthias
Alyea Isaac
Anderson John
Anderson Jonathan
Armstrong John
Avery Thomas
Axtell William, Council
Barclay Thomas
Barclay Thomas H.
Barker Thomas
Bartlefalk Johannis
Bates John
Bauck Frederick
Bayard Robert
Bayard William, Col.
Beach Theophilaet
Beach Theophilus
Beaty David
Becker Bastian
Bedford Jonathan
Billop Christopher
Blauvelt David
Blauw Waldron
Bobbett Daniel
Bogart Guysbert
Bogart Jacobus
Bond Richard
Bowen William R.
Bower Casper
Bowne James
Brown Johannes
Brush Shubal
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Butler Walter, Ens.
Butler William, Lt. Col.
Cameron Duncan
Campbell Allen
Campbell Duncan
Carpenter Archelaus
Carpenter Henry
Carpenter Latting
Carrigan Patrick
Chase Reuben
Chew Joseph
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Clement Lewis
Clinton Henry, Sir
Cloos Abm.
Cloos Benj.
Clows Peter
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Colden Cadwallader, Lt. Gov.
Colden David
Cole Simon
Constable Abraham
Corey Griffin
Cornwell George
Cotter James
Covel Simeon
Crannell Bartholomew
Crawford James
Crawford John
Crookshank Alexander
Cruger John Harris, Council
Cummings Patrick
Cuyler Abraham C.
Davenport Gabriel
Dean Nicholas
De Lancey James, Lt. Gov. & Council
De Lancey Oliver, Adjt. Gen.
De Lancey Stephen
De Lancey & Jauncey
Des Brosses Elias
Desbrosses Elizabeth
Desbrosses Magdalen
Devoe Frederick
Dickenson Gilbert
Dickinson James
Dickinson Samuel
Dickinson Tertullus
Dobbs Walter
Dockstader John
Dodge Stephen
Dowers Joseph
Drake Peter
Duncan Richard
Eckerson Garrit Jacob
Emmons Eli
Emmons John
Empie Johannis W.
Empie John P.
Empie Philip
Ennis John
Fisher Daniel
Fisher Donald
Flewelling Abel
Flewelling Thomas
Floyd Richard
Folliott George
Ford Joseph
Fowler Jonathan, jr.
Fowler Solomon
Fowler Stephen
Fowler William
Frazier Hugh
Frazier Thomas
Frazier William
Freehoudt Isaac
French Benjamin
French Charity
Frost Caleb
Frost Jacob
Fuller Lemuel
Furnival James
Getman John
Gibbons Dennis
Gibson John, Sr.
Gidney John
Gidney Joseph
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Green James
Green Joseph
Gregg Abraham
Gregg John
Griggs Abraham
Griggs Johannes
Griggs John
Hare James
Harring Peter T.
Harris Samuel
Hatfield Barnes
Hawley Ezekiel, jr.
Herkimer Johan Jost, Capt.
Heustice David
Hoaksley Robert
Hoffnagle John
Hoffnagle Michael
Hogel John
Holmes James
Holmes Lewis
Holmes Stephen
Holt Moses
Howard John
Huggeford Peter
Hulet James
Huls James
Hultse James
Hunt Benjamin
Inglis Charles, Rev.
Ireland John
Jansen Simon
Jauncey James, Council
Jauncey & De Lancey
Jessup Ebenezer
Jessup Edward
Jessup Joseph
Johnson Abraham
Johnson Elizabeth
Johnson Guy, Col.
Johnson John, Sir
Johnson John
Johnson Magdalen
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Jones Daniel
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Lent Adolph
Lent Peter
Leonard George
Leonard James
Leonard John
Lewis Benjamin
Lloyd Henry
Long David
Lounsbury William
Low Isaac
Low John
Ludlow Gabriel G.
Ludlow George D.
Mabbett Joseph S., Admr.
Mabbett Samuel
Mabie Cornelius
Mabie Cornelius P.
Mabie Lewis
McAdams William

McAlpin Daniel
McAlpin John
McClannen Peter
McComb John
McDonald James
McDonald John
McDonnell John
McGinnis George
McGinnis Robert
McKenzie Roderick
McLarin Peter
McLeod Norman, Capt.
McNiff Patrick
McNish Joseph
Macomb John
Matthews David
Matthias Hannicol
Matthias Hendrick
Mattice Hendrick
Mattice John
Mattice John Nicholas
Medlar John
Menzes Alexander
Menzes Thomas
Menzies Alexander
Menzines Alexander
Merikle Jacob
Merkle Christopher
Merkle Jacob
Merrit Joseph
Merritt John
Merritt Thomas
Miller Anthony
Miller Gilbert
Mitchell John
Moffatt William
Moore William
Moorhouse Jonathan
Morris Richard E.
Morris Roger, Maj. & Col. & Council
Morrison John
Morrison Malcom
Mosher Hugh
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Nellis Robert
Nellis Robert Wm.
Noxon Bartholomew
Oakley Miles
Ogden Benjamin
Oliver Frederick
Osborn Nathan
Outwater Daniel
Outwater Thomas
Palmer Edmund
Palmer Edward
Palmer Lewis
Partelow Amos
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Peck Caleb
Peemart Francis
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Petrie Johan Jost, jr.
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Smith John
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Abbreviations

Adjt., Adjutant
Admr., Administrator
Admx., Administratrix
Agt., Agent
An., American
Asst., Assistant
Atty., Attorney
Aud., Auditor
Brig., Brigade or Brigadier
Bsh., British
Capt., Captain
Capt. Lt., Captain Lieutenant
Chap., Chaplain
Chn., Chairman
Col., Colonel
Comr., Commissioner
Commy., Commissary
Contl., Continental
Corp., Corporal
Cr., Creditor
Cte., Committee
Ctf., Certificate
Cy., County
d., Pence
Dbr., Debtor
Dr., Doctor
Dy., Deputy
Ens., Ensign
Exr., Executor
Exrx., Executrix
Gen., General
Gov., Governor
Insp., Inspector
Jr., Junior
L. B. R., Land Bounty Rights
Lieut., Lieutenant
Lt., Lieutenant
Lt. Col., Lieutenant Colonel
Maj., Major
Mar., Marines
Mil., Military
Mr., Master
Mu., Muster
Prest., President
Qr., Quarter
Regt., Regiment
s., Shilling
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